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will go to the polls in o elect a new Lok Sabha, ent's lower house. The Il be some time during dweek of the month. landhi advised the Presiday to dissolve the Lok and order the election. ecessary proclamations issued shortly.

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though the country had gog with rumours that zion was near, the an-ment came as a surprise. it, the release of opposi-aders and many others past few weeks had india relaxation prior to

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nation's strength and welfare. Because of this unshakeable faith in the power of the people, I have advised the President to dissolve the present Lok Sabha and order a fresh

Delhi, Jan 18.-Opposition sources, taken by surprise, reacted cautiously. They said they thought they would contest the election "If we are reasonably satisfied it will be free and

A spokesman for the main non-communist opposition parties said that whether or not a proposed merger into one united party was completed in time, they would go into the election with a common policy

and programme.

Mrs Gandhi said in her 10minute broadcast, in which she snoke in both Hindi and English, that every election was an act of faith. "It is an oppor-

an act of faith. It is an opportunity to cleanse public life of
the confusion", she said.

Mr S. M. Bannerji, a senior
official of the pro-Moscow
Communist Party of India
(CPI), welcomed the election.
The CPI, close allies of the
ruling Congress Party for
ruling Congress Party for several years, have recently been accused by Congress memhers of not giving wholehearted support to the social reform programme of Mrs Gandhi's younger son, Sanjay.

two released in Delhi were Mr at 18 months ago the Deputy Prime Minister, who is was on the brink of 31, and Mr L. K. Advani, Violence was openly eader of the right-wing Jana Sangh party.

In Madras, an official source said that 10 MPs of the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) party, including its leader Mr M. T. S. Lakshmanan, had been freed along with two members of the Communist Party. Mr Desai, a long-standing

political opponent of Mrs Gandhi, was arrested the day after the emergency was imposed. He said at his Delhi home leter that the election call did not surpirse him.—Reuter and

yland workers warned over failure

cash in on Car of the Year award

for over 20 years".

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ists are queuing to buy the car, described as "the most exciting new model produced in Britain

So promising is the demand

that Leyland has given the car the role of spearheading its drive into such difficult markets

as West Germany. Mr Derek Whittaker, manag-

ing director of Leyland Cars, has ordered a strong line in

talks with shop stewards at Castle Bromwich. He is par-

ticularly annoyed because £16m

was spent jointly at Swindon (pressings) and Castle Brom-

wich (body assembly) to moder-nize facilities.

In addition the Castle Brom-wich lines have already been

This action has been accom-

panied by a clear warning to

shop stewards that the company

has no intention of adding a

an acceptable level of produc-

tivity from the existing labour

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to supply enough bodies. night shift until it is obtaining result launch dates have an acceptable level of produc-

indefinitely.

### Churchmen move a step nearer Unity By our Religious Affairs Correspondent

Under certain conditions the Anglican Communion would be willing to accept the Pope as universal primate in a united church, according to an official statement from a team of Anglican and Roman Catholic theologians, published today. But the Anglican Communion

would expect the papel author-ity to be balanced by greater participation in the government of the church by histops clergy, and laity. The statement is the product

priesthood, but the question of authority proved the most difficult. The power of the Pope was crucial in the sixteenth-century break between the Church of England and Rome. It has remained an unbridge-able difference for the past 400

years.

The statement, published with the approval of the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Coggan, and Pope Paul VI, says that the theologians found a convergence of belief to their surprise. It led to a consensus on fundamental principles which was applicable to both sides.

Certain items of Roman Catholc belief, such as papal infallibility, continue to cause "grave difficulties" to Anglicans. The theologians claim, however, to have found enough

however, to have found enough common ground for outstanding differences to be resolved, and meanwhile call for a new

spirit in relations.
"The prospect should be met with faith, not fear", the Anglican and Roman Catholic co-chairman of the commission state in their introduction to the report.

The Anglican co-chairman, the Eishop of Ossory, Ferns and Leighlin, the Right Rev H. R. McAdoo, said at a press conference at Lambeth Palace controller at Lambern Panace yesterday that the Roman Catholic Church had traditionally emphasized the primacy of the Bishop of Rome while the Anglican Communion had eni-phasized conciliarity—the par-ticipation of all bishops, and of the whole church—in decisionmaking. A reunited church would have to harmonize primacy and conciliarity as comple

any and conciliarity as complementary aspects of authority.

The Roman Catholic co-chairmed, Mar Alan C. Chrk. Bishop of East Anglia, said: "We now have an agreement which many people had said would never he reached." Alembers of both churches should study the document and decide whether they recognized in it their own rank. Both chairmen said they rauth. Both chairmen said they thought the agreement would movide the basis for greater ronumion . between caurches immediately. The anglican bishop said he saw me opportunity for "sacra-

ental sharing The statement also declares: The only see which makes any claim to universal primacy and which has exercised and still exercises it is the See of Rome. It seems appropriate that in any future union a universal primacy such as has been described should be held

With overseas sales going begging and a six-month waiting list on the home market, Mr Whittaker is coming under

increasing pressure to get the

car out at any cost. But concessions of this kind have too

frequently reduced profit margins on new models by

saddling them with unacceptable

Meanwhile the new Solihull assembly plant is limping along with two assembly lines manned

to produce close to 900 cars a week. Like Castle Bromwich, it

With a smaller-engined ver-

replace the ageing Triumph 2500 2000 and the Rover 2200,

At the end of day-long talks

Eromwich shop stewards, a

by that see."

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labour costs.

city of 2,000.

time is running out.



Mr Silkin, the Attorney General, leaving after addressing the Court of Appeal.

### Mr Silkin declines to explain to court his view on post ban

By Marcel Berlins

Legal Correspondent
Mr Silkin, QC, the Attorney
General, told the Court of
Appeal yesterday that it is not entitled to examine his reasons for refusing to give his consent to an action aimed at stopping the proposed Post Office workers' ban on postal services to

"My conduct is not that of a dictator, not open to chal-lenge," he said. "If I am wrong. I am answerable to Parliament and to Parliament alone. I say, with the utmost respect to your Lordships but also with the utmost firmness, that the courts must not assume the mantle of Parliament." Mr Silkin appeared before

the court yesterday in response to its invitation to explain why he had not given his consent to an action brought by Mr John Gouriet, on behalf of the National Association for Freedom, to stop the Union of Post Office Workers from carrying out its proposed sevenday boycort of postal and tele-phone services to south Africa. On Saturday the court—Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls. Lord Justice Lawton and Lord Justice Ormod-granted a temporary injunction against the union, and the boycott was

day that he had gone not to give his reasons for his decision but to argue that the court had no power to review or question it. Ir was, he said, a vital con-

stitutional issue.
It was well established in law that the Attorney General's dis-cretion was absolute, and it was wrong for the court to ask what those reasons were, or to draw inferences as to what his reasons might have been, It was also wrong for it to have granted the injunction after his refusal to allow the case to be

He argued that in coming to his decision he had to have regard to many different factors, some of which the courts could have no knowledge of. He had to consider broader questions of public interest. Mr Silkin told the court that

in making his decision he took into account nothing that, in accordance with precedent, it was not proper for him to rake into account.

Mr Silkin, who came under

speech, which lasted an uar, conceded that there was a case law, to see whether the ancient procedures were still necessary. But only Parliament, which was able to look at all the aspects, Mr Silkin made clear yestercould conduct such a review.

He could not concede that the right way of changing the law was by a decision of one court looking at one case. Re

"Your Lordships would be abrogating a very important parliamentary function because of this particular case. That would be open to abuse and could produce a result, which I hope never to see, of conflict between the courts and Parlia-

At one point Lord Denning asked: "If you say I do not think it politic to enforce the law' does that mean people can go on breaking the law? Does that mean etanding by and letting it go on? Are you saying that it is in the public interest that this ban on communcations should go on?

The Attorney General replied that it was for him to decide what the balance of public interest was.

The hearing continues today.

when Mr Silkin will continue cluse ouestioning from the his address. It is not expected three judges throughout his to end until tomorrow. The speech, which lasted all day, courtroom was so full yesterday, courtroom was so full vesterday, with about a hundred people not able to get even standing room, that the public galleries, closed three years ago for security reasons, had to be security reasons, had to be security reasons, had to be security reasons.

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#### Dougal Haston killed Stoppage at 'The Times' by Swiss avalanche condemned

From Alan McGregor

called off as a result.

Geneva, Jan 18 Mr Dougal Haston, the Scot who climbed the south-west face of Everest in 1975 with Mr Doug Scott, was killed by an avalanche yesterday while ski-ing alone above Leysin in the Swiss Alps.
After an all-night search by

rescue teams, his body was found this afternoon. He was, apparently, killed instantly on the steep slope of the 5,500ft Mount Riondaz, while on his way down to the Luisets Pass. It was the type of accident about which skiers are re-peatedly warned after beavy

snowfalls. Mr Haston was not following a marked piste

track).

According to one of his friends, Mr Alan Rankin, a Canadian who keeps an hotel at Leysin, he had taken a ski lift up the Riondaz and then climbed to the top for his run.

The search by 50 men and week. Like Castle Bromwich, it the search, by 50 men and too has plans for a night shift is avalanche dogs, started soon which would lift production to after it became obvious as around 1,400 a week, and darkness fell that Mr Haston

around 1,400 a week, and ultimately to the planned capawas long overdue. At 10 o'clock last night, one of the search teams found the site of the avalanche, with ski tracks visible in the snow above it.

The avalanche had carried Mr Haston down the slope. His body was found under 6ft of some sion of the Rover 3500 soon to of snow between management and Castle Mr Haston, who was 35, came

from Edinburgh, where he studied philosophy. He decided company spokesman said last night: "There were construcnight: "There were construction 1966 to become a pro-tive discussions and these will fessional mountaineer. The same year, he took part

with an American climber. Mr John Harlin, in the first direct ascent in winter of the north tace of the Eiger. Mr Harlin was killed on the climb. Mr Haston and his wife Anne later took over the mountaineering school which the American had established at Leysin. He climbed the south face of

Anapurna in 1970 with Mr Don Willans. This year, he was preparing for an ascent of (Mount Godwin Austen) in the Himalayas.

In another similar accident today, a 29-year-old ski instructor at Laax in the Grisons died when hit by an avalanche.

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last Thursday was condemned in an emergency statement by the Press Council yesterday.

The action of some printing room unionists who objected to a report of ac article by Mr David Astor criticizing newspaper unions amounted to cen-sorship, the statement said.

The council said it had received no complaint but the parties involved were given an opportunity to put their views before its complaints commit-The committee noted that Mr

William Rees-Mong, editor of The Times, had told objectors they would be given the same right of reply in a subsequent ssue which The Times normally gave to those criticized in the newspaper. Mr Owen O'Brien, general secretary of the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel, expressed his union's opposition to any censorship of the press.

The council's statement says: Over the past 24 years the Press Council has made available to the council has made available to the public a complaints procedure which provides an appeal against the decision of any etilitor of any newspaper or periodical who refuses redress to an aggriered member of the public.

The council appreciates that mem-bers of a trade union in the newspaper industry may consider them-selves to have a special concern in the publication of material of which they are critical in that which they are critical in that they service part of the ments of publication. They enjoy no privileged position. In fact their rights are no greater, but no less, than those of the general public; in common with other members of the public they are entitled to an assurance that, where appropriate, prompt and impartial consideration will be given by the Press Council to any complaint made by individuals, changes or unions. Council to any complaint made by individuals, chapels or unions. The investigation of such com-plaints is carried out by the council's complaints committee. A statement issued by the Press. Council following such an inquiry receives wide publicity in the newspaper concerned and else-where

The terms of the statement are much more than an expression of opinion upon the conduct of the Continued on page 2, col 1

School option

Twenty-six more local education authorities have been given six months to produce plans for comprehensive schooling by Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science. They are in addition to eight authorities given similar ultimatums last November.

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### £164m expansion will boost brewery jobs

years which, the company said, would create "hundreds of new example". Priority

investment programme of at by Mr Jack Jones, of the trans-least £164m over the next two port workers' union, who said he hoped other companies he hoped other companies would follow Allied's "splendid jobs. The company considered the time ripe for capital investment programme is to be the time ripe for capital investment programme is to be given to export growth in the ment which would be centred on existing breweries at Burton, but lagering capacity will Wrexham and Alloa. News of be raised as well Page 17

Yugoslav leader

dies in air crash

me Bijedic, the Yugoslav Prime

minister, was killed yesterday, together with his wife and six ouner people, when their eight-

sector jet aircraft crashed in a anowstorm west of Sarajevo. He was on his way to address a meeting of the party Central Committee in Sarajevo Page 7

The Barcelona harbour death toll rose to 44 yesterday as frogmen recovered more bodies

of American sailors and marines who were in the launch

which capsized on Monday. The total may go as high as 50.

India, needing 284 to beat England, have scored 45 for three

and face a struggle to save the third Test. Indian officials have discussed the Lever affair

and are to pass their findings on to Lord's John Woodcock, page 10

University threat: Trade unions say they are prepared to let Birmingham University close because of a holiday dispute 2

One-parent families: The House

ot Lords will debate the Finer

report on one-parent families

Brussels: East Europe has been given until the end of this month to limit fishing catches 6

India struggle

to save Test

More harbour bodies found

#### Rail toll climbs in Sydney

Rescuers who last night had taken 36 bodies from a Sydney commuter train crushed by a falling road bridge feared at the the straight of the straight of the wireckage, and that the final disaster toll could be the worst in Australia's history. The crash occurred when the morning peak-hour express ploughed through the supports of the bridge, which fell 30ft on to

#### Speaker stops Duke's critic

Labour MPs criticized the Duke of Edinburgh's remarks in a magazine about the underprivileged and the enterprising. In the House Mr Lamond (Oldham, East) described his remarks as impudent and ill advised. The Speaker intervened to say that it was the custom of the Commons to speak of the Royal Family with respect.

#### Jail ruled out for girls of 14

Mr Rees, Home Secretary, laid an order in Parliament to end the remand of girls under 15 to adult jails from March 15. Girls unsuitable for bail will be the responsibility of the local authority Page 2

#### Police called as prisoner escorts

Rhodesia: Britain puts ferward plan to break deadlock as Mr Police officers escorted remand Richard flies to South Africa to prisoners from Leicester jail to courts after prison staff had re-fused the duty as part of their industrial action in demand for a public inquiry into security at Leicester Page 2 meet MrVorster again Japan : Pacifist governor to bar Royal Navy ship from entering Tokyo Eay for arms sales exhibition 8

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Business features: Maurice Corina on the iron and steel foun-dries—the first of a series of re-ports on the Government's indus-trial strategy; the growing trial strategy; the growing friendliness between wholesalers and the corner grocery shop is examined by Patricia Tisdali Adam Fox, Mr Dzemal Bijedic.

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Pearce Wright on the complex for the World Cup

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#### nousands riot in Cairo after steep food price increases cect. Most workers here take the iron gates found themselves "Nasser-Nasser" and "there thousand students and workers,

**Cobert Fisk** Jan 18

Egyptian Government's prices by as much as 31 ent provoked long and rioting in Cairo tonight re than 5,000 students. workers and police each other with batons cks in the city centre. Alexandria and in the ial town of Helwan, ads of demonstratorsd at the increases in rice and fuel in a

y whose economy seems

tendy on the brink of

louds of teargas covered and reat Liberation Square the east of the Nile, ads e more students the rioring would be on such ad through Cairo's main a scale.

can be no liberalization without food ?.

The authorities here said tonight that two police stations in the Cairo slum quarter near Al Azhar University had been set on fire, while unconfirmed reports from Alexandria said that Egyptian regular troops had been sent into the city to control crowds of rioting dock

Because of the disturbances. colleges and schools all over Egypt are to be closed for two

The battles in Cairo, which ptcy—smashed the win started at 5 pm, had been foreseen by the Government, which put military guards on banks post offices during the morning in case of looting. But it is doubtful if it realized that

At one point, several

velling slogans against President Sadat and his Government, came close to breaking into the grounds of the People's Assembly—Cairo's white-stone Parliament building—until riot police began to snower them with teargas grenades.

The price increases caused an angry exchange in the Assembly yesterday when they were announced by Mr Salah Hamed, the Finance Minister. The controversy arose not

only because of the increase itself—rice, for example, went up by 16 per cent—but because the Government also chose the same moment to announce increases in the salaries and pensions of civil servants. The price of sugar has risen

to 25p per kilo, petrol goes up

by 31

by 31 per cent and gas cylin-ders—there is no mains gas in

home only £46 sterling a confronting a large and angry month while President Sadat— mob. in the eyes of his opponents-has been allowing the rich to take advantage of the new economic liberalization symbolised by his "open door" policy of foreign investment. The protests today started in .produced a camera.

Helwan where steel workers stoned cars and buses before ordering lorry drivers to take By the time they reached the Corniche beside the River Nile and the dual carriageway along Kasr al-Aini Street, where the

American University has its

faculties, more than 2,000 students from four colleges had

gathered in the surrounding The assembly buildings are only 100 yards from the university's main entrance and within minutes the policemen behind

One Helwan steelworker climbed on the Assembly rail-

The students roared their assent. Some of them began running towards the railings and guards . retreated. senior policeman, in dress uni-

The crowd threatened several people on the pavement-apparently believing them to be

form and medals on his chest, tried to leave the building, walking coolly into the crowd.

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plain clothes policemen—and they manhandled two American reporters when one of them

ings, his blue coar torn open at the elbows and his shoes held together by string. He waited a few seconds and then bel-lowed: "Let's bring this Government down.".

### Jail remands for girls aged under 15 to be ended in March

about the remanding of Javen-iles to adult prisons and remand centres by stopping remands for girls under 15 from March 15.

An order under the Children and Young Persons Act, 1969, was laid before Parliament yes-terday by Mr Rees, Home Sec-retary. Courts will no longer have the power to issue a certificate of unruliness in respect of any girl under 15. If she is considered by a court to be un-suitable for bail she will become the responsibility of the local authority while on remand. Although the numbers of girls aged 14 who have been remanded to adult prisons and remand centres is small, many local authorities are bound to be worried now that the respon-sibility for finding secure accommodation for them is

Pressure for space is particularly acute in London, but the prisons cannot be phased out Government believed that it until suitable accommodation is Government believed that it until suitable accommodation is would be wrong to hold up implementation of a vital reform local authorities giving such because of a difficulty in one facilities a high priority.

critic

Westminster

Rebuke for

of the Duke

A Labour MP, Mr James Lamond (Oldham, East), was rebuked by the Speaker in the

Commons vesterday for describ-ing as impudent and ill-

advised comments made by

the Duke of Edinburgh about

the British people's dependence

on state aid.

Mr George Thomas, the Speaker, said it was the established custom that MPs spoke with respect of members of the

Royal Family.

When Mr Skinner, Labour
MP for Bolsover, remarked:

He has no respect for wor

All I am asking for is cour-

teous language."
Mr. Lamond asked the Prime

Minister whether his talks with the TUC would be impeded by

speeches, impudent enough to

suggest that less attention should be paid to the deprived and under privileged. Mr Callaghan replied cauti-

ously that he was not sure how far the Speaker's ruling went

but that there was no minis-terial responsibility for speeches

by the Duke, and he did not

intend to assume any. He did

not think such speeches would

have an impact, whoever made

them, on the great understand-ing between the Government

and the union movement.

The Duke made his remarks

in an article in the magazine

Director. He was giving his views on the state of the nation. "Arrogance": Earlier yester-

day the Duke was criticized by Labour MPs (the Press Asso-

ciation reports).
Mr Tom Litterick, MP for Birmingham, Selly Oak, said:
"The Duke thinks Toryism is

normal human nature. As one of the best-kept social security claimants in the country I think

he queht to have spoken with

Queen Victoria's age. It is

Mr Michael English (Norting-ham, West), said: His wife has complete exemption from

income tax because she is the eldest living descendant of the

Parliamentary report, page 8

More than 30,000 school-children in Wiltshire were given a day off yesterday because of a 24-hour strike by

Strike holiday

the Speaker commented :

By Our Parliamentary

The Government is to go some it is not necessary to build way towards meeting concern special, large, secure units for about the remanding of juven them. They think people in charge of community homes could be persuaded to use exist-ing facilities if they overcame their resistance to locking children up.

Those who abhor the practice of remands in custody for chil-dren point out that about 40 per cent of the juveniles who are remanded to prisons later receive non-custodial sentences. Mr Rees's order represents a step towards implementing the

Government's policy, announced in a White Paper last May, that the remand of all juveniles to prisons and adult remand centres should cease as soon as

The White Paper, which was a response to a Commons select committee, promised that the remand of girls aged 14 would cease by the end of last year.

The remand of boys to adult The Home Office said yester-

part of the country.

Some buildings that would day that the number of provide secure accommodation for girls, or for girls and boys, in observation and assessment between May 1 and September centres are being built or about to be started in London. But they are affected by the present financial constraints.

Magistrates who are anxious that juveniles should not be rather and centres was 1,981 boys and 57 girls, seven of whom were aged 14.

### backs NCB retirement scheme

By Tim Jones Labour Staff Momentum for a rejection of Momentum for a rejection of the National Coal Board's offer on early retirement for mine-workers slackened unexpectedly yesterday when miners' leaders representing the South Wales coalfield decided overwhelm-ingly to accept the proposed scheme.

Delegates in Yorkshire and Scotland have voted against acceptance. South Wales, considered a militant area, had been expected to vote with them.

The South Wales area of the National Union of Mineworkers has always insisted that surface workers should be included in the scheme, which will give miners retirement at 62 from August 1, reducing to 60 in mid-1979. There will be bellot among the 250,000 miners on January 26 and 27.

Mr Emlyn Williams, presi-dent of the South Wales miners,

said yesterday that an assurance from the union's executive that negotiations would be held on including surface workers in the scheme had strongly influenced their decision. The

decision strengthened speculation that the union as a whole will vote decisively in favour of the deal in the ballot. Mr Lawrence Daly, the union's general secretary, said yesterday that most older surface workers were covered by the proposed retirement plan.

### Minister pledges Commons statement on vaccine

to the Commons soon because of controversy over brain damdren. He has been much questioned by MPs about the dangers of whooping cough

He told Mr Robert Adley, children who had suffered Conservative MP for Christ-brain damage after being given church and Lymington, in a whooping-cough vectors.

### South Wales | TUC warning over 'cheap energy' policy

Mr Frank Chapple, chairman hall and removed from the more coal-fired power stations overall demand for energy and of the TUC fuel and power public domain.

Trade unionists do not consist on the proposed Drax B fuel.

"Trade unionists do not consist on the proposed Drax B fuel.

"The end of the contrary is industries committee, gave 2 warning yesterday that Britain would pay dearly by the end of the century if she tried to do things on the cheap.

He said it was not always wise to go for the cheapest fuel; it could cause economic difficulties later, particularly when supplies can out. The unions wanted a say in energy policy and were pressing for a substantial TUC representation on the proposed energy com-

Mr Chapple, general secre- are tary of the Electrical, Elec- and tronic, Telecommunications, and Phombing Union, told the Shell Mex Fuels luncheon club in London: "We are not prepared to rescue the formulation of energy policy from the tion of energy policy from the short-term vagaries of the mar-ket place only to see it taken over by bureaucrats in White-

Unions set

university

By Christopher Thomas

Trade unions say they are

prepared to allow Birmingham University to close unless demands for improved holidays for technicians are met. The Association of Scientific.

The Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs (ASTMS) says it plans to intensify picketing of the university to stop supplies. Mr Regionald Bird, the national officer, said last night: "We know they have no oil, and coal and a lange straight are almost straight and coal and coal are almost straight."

stocks are almost exhausted."
The university, however, says
fuel stocks are "fairly high"
and that there will be no difficulty "if there is an early

spring."
The Transport and General Workers Union has told mem-

bers not to cross picket lines, although the university says

The university says the dispute is over a claim by the

the claim is for four weeks.

Ninety-nine technicians have

been on strike at Birmingham

for some months. The action has

many have done so.

to close

sider that in such a vital sector station. He said the latter proas energy the forces of the market place will lead to the best decisions on investment,

research and development.

"In the recent past fuel policy in Britain has taken the passive form of exploiting the fuel with the cheapest current price in the market place and other sources.

"Such a policy causes great conomic difficulties later when supplies of cheap energy are exhausted or interrupted ' alternative domestic sources have been run down. "The latest example of this danger was the difficulty caused by the sudden quadrupling of crude oil prices three had been pointing to this possi-bility since the early 1960s."

He urged the building of between the United Kingdom's

By George Clark

representatives.

Political Correspondent

Abuse of the EEC green

currency" arrangements is destroying the confidence of British farmers, Mr Richard

Butler, deputy president of the National Farmers' Union, told

the House of Lords select com-mittee on the "green pound", the EEC's unit of account, yes-

terday. Evidence was heard

from farmers' and consumers'

"On entry into the Com-munity, the United Kingdom accepted common pricing and

the other basic principles of the common agricultural policy (CAP)", Mr Butler said. "Other

ommunity countries regarded

this as a serious commitment, and so did British farmers. On

this basis, there was confidence

about the long-term prospects

of British agriculture and our

farmers were encouraged to

consider investment in expan-

Those prospects had changed.

The British Government had adopted most of the mechanisms of the CAP while, through the

operation of the green pound, it had retained national control over price levels. Producers saw

it being used in a way that had

little regard for the needs of

British agriculture.
"The intention of the Com-

Move to curb

Scots MPs'

gramme must be started now it coal from the large Selby field was to be marketed in the early 1980s.

He said that failure by the Central Electricity Generating Board to commit itself to a steady ordering pattern would lead to unemployment and to imports of generating equip-

energy crisis would The begin to bite in the 1990s and it was imperative to determine end of the century and beyond,
Mr Ray Buckton, general
secretary of the Associated
Society of Locomotive
Engineers and Firemen, told
the Chartered Institute of

NFU attack on 'green pound abuse'

amounts to about 36 per cent.

This has created a very dis-turbing situation for British farmers."

change in the green pound rate

would have only a relatively small effect on the general cost of living. "Even so, we cannot deny that there would be some effect, and, in calling for green

rate adjustments, we are mindful of the national need

to keep down stort-term infla-

ing only that the rate shall be set at such a level as will

enable producers to earn the tunds necessary to finance investment for the kind of

expansion described in the Gov-ernment's White Paper, Food

from Our Own Resources. We ask that, as far as possible, the green pound issue should be

taken out of politics."

"For the present we are ask-

tionary pressures.

It was now accepted that a

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fuel.
"The end of the century is now a mere 23 years away.

Decisions will have to be taken
within the next few years
based on a calculated assessment of the effects of technological advances and diminishing resources." policy Transport

depend on energy policy. Elec-tricity was the power that would give Britain the flexibility to change to whatever transport was most economical. For the nation's prosperity, future transport policy must be centred on that product. Money must be made available for the eventual total electrification of the whole railway system.

The Government was limiting investment, but he predicted a change in thinking in the not too distant future, because of pressure generated by the Opec countries.

ture and, in a period of declin-ing sterling values, to deny the

industry the opportunity to ex-pand its import-saving role."

public affairs, Consumers' Asso-

ciation, disagreed with the NFU's view that it would be

preferable to move to a system

whereby the European Commis-

sion automatically adjusted the

green pound rate to match the

The present green pound gap was about 40 per cent. To eliminate that, which was what

the EEC Commission was aim-

ing for, would increase the United Kingdom farm price for butter by about the same

arrangements and allowing for the reduction of subsidy and a

changes in currency values.

Dr William Roberts, head of

Prison staff at Leices gan their action at bi time yesterday, and ref supervise workshops. So were also refused act their clients inside the A week ago Thomas Hughes escaped from while being escorted Leicester prison to Ches Magistrates' Court. He a both prison officers according him and later my four people in the Der munity was that green rates "In the long term there can should be brought gradually be no justification for maininto line with real rates and taining any gap between the was cornered and shot o police marksmen.

burden on

The police were ca

Leicester prison yester transport remand priso

courts after nearly two h disciplinary prison sta

refused to escort them of their campaign of in

action in protest at the Secretary's refusal to b

independent inquiry

security.

police

By Clive Borrell

puts extra

into line with real rates and that must remain the objective", he said. "Last year the Government refused to adjust for converting Community inthe green pound despite the rapid depreciation of sterling, and even with the recent welcome improvement in market to green pound gap now of resources in British agriculation amounts to about 36 per cent. The staff at Leiceste no indication yesterday long their industrial would last, despite from executive members Prison Officers' Associa cooperate with Mr Fowler, the Chief Inspe Prisons, who has been ted by Mr Rees, the Hor retary, to investigate the dent and the general s conditions at the priso prison staff have said th not connerate unless as conduct the inquiry.

Several prison office they came off dury last said their protest cou-indefinitely. One said: " that a prison depa inquiry will whitewash t issues.

Knife was officers at Leicester kne a long bone-handled kni missing from the jail I when William Hughes Ie taxi (our Leicester Cor. dent writes).

He submitted figures indi-cating that in 1977 the price of a pound of butter would go up by 231p under the transitional It was disclosed last that Hughes had worked kitchen in the jail duri remand. One of the officers said: "When the was missed we became cerned because we knew I as a dangerous man.

"An officer asked for scale search, which is n and it would have meant prisoner being locked u then a thorough search m every cell. The request \* fused by an officer h governor's rank. A r search, bowever,

#### in a memorandum to the 4½ per committee, the NFU stated: valuation. 41 per cent green pound de-Derailment was caused

Commons role

By Our Political Staff Mr Douglas Henderson, Scottish National Party MP for Aberdeenshire, East, tabled an amendment yesterday to the devolution Bill to bar Scottish MPs from discussing and voting on exclusively English matters

many Scottish MPs would still not guilty. be sent to Westminster to help to make decisions on English

The proposal might embarrass the Labour Party. Ministers have not disputed the suggestion that 71 Scottish MPs have to remain at Westminster because many are Labour members.

## injured in jail

On the eve of a campaign, to be mounted today, to press for the release from prison of Il defy whips

parties in Parliament, with a coalition government forming from two or more.

The Home Office said the injuries were inflicted nearly a month ago. No other personwas involved.

### in Hyde Park

a swan in Hyde Park, belonging to the Queen. by throwing it and pulling its head off, were fined the maximum £5 with £80

Dr Latif Azan Vaghefy, aged 29, and Kaveli Jaferi. 28. an economics student, both from Iran and staying at Mirabel Road, Fulham, heard Mr David Barr, the magistrate, describe it as an unpleasant and unbenny.

### Magazine for sale

The news magazine Time and Tide is for sale at an asking price of £150,000, it was amounced yesterday.

### by speeding, report says By a Staff Reporter

The biggest share of responsibility for the Nuneaton train crash on June 6, 1975, must lie with the locomotive's driver, Mr John McKay, according to the official report on the disaster, which is published today. Six people lost their lives in the crash and 38 were injured, 10

a three-day trial he was found The report adds that Mr Mc-

Kay should not carry the responsibility alone. "All those who failed to use the warningboard propane gas equipment as it should have been used . . . must share some of the responsibility", it states. The report concludes that the

eccident took place because the 23.30 Euston to Glasgow night Nuneaton. sleeper train was driven at a such a decis speed of about 80mph over a section of track subject to a speed restriction of 20mph.

drivers. In addition, warning boards, speed indicators and termination of restriction indicators were correctly sited. At the warning board, however, the propane gas equipment used for illuminating the sign was improperly used.

Because of a failure of the

on exclusively English matters when the Scottish assembly is set up.

The SNP had proposed the move in an effort to soothe English complaints that too none of them reported it, as they should have done, according to the rules laid down for

> Mr McKay maintained in evidence, the report says, that he was keeping a careful watch for the warning board. When he saw no sign of it he con-cluded that the speed restriction had been lifted, and continued at speed towards Nuneaton. "If he did make such a decision, it was this that led directly to the derailment", the report says.

E and NE England: Roin or drizzle at first. snow, especially on high ground, bright or clear intervals later, scattered showers; wind SE, moderate, veering SW; max temp 6°C (43°F).

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W Midlands, Channel Islands, SW England. S Wales: Sunny Intervals. scattered showers, perhaps more general rain later; wind SW, light or moderate, increasing tresh; max temp 7°C to 9°C (45°F to 48°F).

(45°F to 48°F). W England, Lake District: Bright intervals, occasional showers, possibly wintry on high ground; wind SW, moderate or fresh: max temp 6°C 143°F). Iste of Man. SW and NW Scntland, Glasgow, Argyll, N Ireland: Bright intervals, showers, heavy in places, sleet or snow on hills; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 6°C to 8°C 143°F to 46°F). Borders. Edicburgh, Dundee

Borders, Editburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Outbreaks of rain or soow, becoming brighter, scattered wintry showers; wind SE, fresh, veering SW; max temp 5°C (41°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland:

# Social contrac

condemned Mr John Cousins, one leading contenders in the Jones as general secreta the Transport and Ge Workers' Union, said last that the social contract failed to solve Britain's employment and balance o ments difficulties.

Four die in crash

Four people were killer two injured in a col between two cars and a on the A303 at Horton (

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a better sense of responsibility. On earnings by pensioners

survived an attack on its proposal to keep the earnings rule for retirement pensioners at £35 after next April.

mittee on the Social Security Bonner Pink, Conservative MP for Portsmouth, South, gave his casting vote in support of the

Parliament, would become effective in April.

### Government win | Mr Prentice says Labour candidates will defy whips

Political Staff

he resigned as a Cabinet minister, told the Tory Reform Group yesterday that several Labour candidates at the next election would campaign on a platform of defying the whips.

party tomeredce was unactept able to many, he said, and some of his colleagues would be un-able to accept more extreme parts of a manifesto based on it. That prospect is the mildest outcome Mr Prentice sees of

the present political situation; he told the centrist Reform Group that perhaps he should, in retrospect, have resigned earlier from the Government. Although he refused to respond to appeals for a leader to come forward and break the party mould. Mr Prentice said a national crisis might come upon us at any time. The more discussions between like-minded people before it, the better.

He saw two relatively dramatic possibilities in the future. One was that electoral reform would lead to four or five

Plea to allow

family to remain

Lord Avebury, chairman of the Parliamentary Committee for Human Rights, has urged Mr John, Minister of State at the Home Office, to allow a Cypriot family of four of mixed Turkish-Greek origin to remain

a Cypriot

By a Staff Reporter

in Britain.

from two or more.

.The second was that the Con-The second was that the Con-servative Party would remain, but recaptured by the "civi-lized" group in the party, while the Labour Party would "shake off" its left wing and perhaps come to some sort of terms with the Liberals.

Mr Prentice, who may fight the next election as an indepen-dent, discouned by his local party, hopes British politics will become more like Ameri-can politics. The attraction of the Republi-

can and Democratic parties was can and Democratic parties was that they accepted society broadly as it stood. In British terms, a slightly left-of-centre party and a slightly right-of-centre party would be agreed on the mixed economy, the rule of law, and the Western alliance. Differences would be of emphasic

second threatened right-wing Labour politician, faces a crucial local party meeting in his Hayes constituency on Sun-day. He has been unwilling to comment on reparts that, if defeated, he will resign and fight a by-election.

# Men killed swan

costs at Bow Street Magistrates' Court yesterday under the Pro-tection of Birds Act.

happy case.

### MP describes Agee appeal procedure as a farce By Our Political Staff

dure for deportation cases like that of Mr Philip Agee, the former Central Intelligence Agency employee, was a farce.

Mr Lyon, Labour MP for York, said in a letter to Mr Rees, Home Secretary, that he had supported the use of the procedure until now. But his present exercises. in Britain.

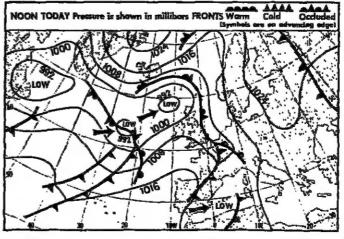
Mrs Zehra Oguz, aged 37, who came to Britain to join her husband, Mr Oguz Osman, was still being held in detention at Heathrow last night, pending consideration of representations. Mr Osman's application to remain permanently has been rejected, although he is likely to appeal.

criminal court, whatever the diplomatic repercusions".

The case, in which Mr Agee had to appeal to a panel of three advisers without knowledge of the grounds on which the Home Office wanted to deport him, has led to doubts in that deactment about the practhat department about the prac-ticability of the special proce-

Hosenball, an American journa-list on the Evening Standard in London who is facing deporta-tion for security reasons, will begin his representations to the

### Report on the Derailment that occurred on june 6. 1975. at numeraton (Stationery Office, night. Firemen freed tri Information about the speed occurred occurred occurred of the speed in a printed notice for £1.60). Weather forecast and recordings



Sun sets: 7.56 am 4.27 pm Moon rises : Moon sets : 7.13 am 4.53 rm New Moon: 2.11 pm.

New Moon: 2.11 pm.
Lighting up: 4.57 pm to 7.25 am.
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am, 6.8m (22.2ft); 1.41 pm, 6.9m
(22.5ft). Avonmouth, 6.56 am,
13.4m (44.0ft); 7.19 pm, 13.3m
(43.7ft). Dover, 10.40 am, 6.6m
(21.8ft): 11.4 pm, 6.8m (22.5ft).
Hull, 5.47 am, 7.2m (23.7ft); 6.1
pm, 7.4m (24.4ft). Liverpool,
10.51 am, 9.5m (31.1ft); 11.19
pm, 9.2m (30.3ft).

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: Pressure will be low to the W of Britain, while a trough over E districts moves slowly E. London, SE England, East Anglia: Rain or drizzle at first, bright or clear intervals later, scattered showers: wind SE, moderate, veering W; max temp 6°C (43°F).

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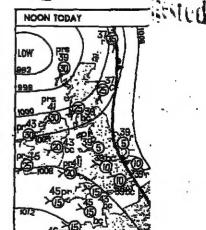
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Mainly cloudy, outbreaks of or snow; wind SE, frest strong; max temp 5°C (41° Outlook for tomorrow and day: Rather cloudy, rain at t sleet or snow on higher gro temp rather below normal; night frost and patchy fog Sea passages: S North Strait of Dover: Wind SE, or strong, becoming variable moderate, locally rough at fir English Channel (E): Wind, able, becoming: W moderate: St George's Channel, Irish Wind S to SW, fresh or St locally gate at first; sea mode

Yesterday

London: Temp: max. 6 40 6 pm. 5°C (41°F); min. 6 10 6 am. 3°C (37°F). Huml 6 pm. 75 per cent. Rain. to 6 pm. nil. Sun, 24hr to 6 nil. Bar, mean sea level, 6 1,014.1 millibars, failing. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

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Mr Eunals, Secretary of State written reply yesterday: "I am for Social Services, is to make seeing Sir Charles Stuarta full statement on vaccination Harris, chairman of the joint of controversy over brain dam-immunization, on Wednesday, age caused to vaccinated chil- and shortly thereafter I shall dren. He has been much ques- be making a full statement on

committee on vaccination and

vaccination to the House."
Sir Idwal Pugh, the Ombuds man for Health, agreed on Mon-day to study individual cases of

ASTMS for seven weeks' holi-day for technicians. That was denied by the union, which says stopped the main computer.

The Duchess of Kent with shippard workers after a launching at George Ince Sunderland vesterday.

The Government yesterday

Electress Sophia of Hanover. I presume therefore that Prince In a Commons standing com-Philip will advocate that some of his family's tax privileges, based solely on inheritance, should be given up to help others less fortunate." (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill voting was seven to seven on the issue. The chairman, Mr Mrs Colquhoum (Northsmpton, North), said: "He has become rather a British joke, the kind of anachronism the country has to live with."

The Conservatives, with the support of the only Liberal on the committee, Mr Cyril Smith, were trying to amend the provisions so that the earnings rule of £50, approved previously by

members of the National Union of Public Employees against proposed government spending cuts.

The Government now intends to relate the figure to earnings, and it is expected to be made about £41 p.x: November.

### **Press Council condemns** 'censorship' of 'Times'

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newspaper. They are specifically designed to achieve reparation by correcting inaccuracies and, in appropriate cases, providing the right of reply by the quotation of the complainant's response to the disputed publication, backed by the council's declaration of the complainant's right to have that reply published in the offending newspaper or periodical.

This machinery being available to any trade unionists who were aggreed by what The Times proposed to publish on January 13, 1977, they were wrong to take action to prevent publication. Their proper course would have been to write a reply addressed to the editor of The Times and to have complained to the Press Council if that letter was not published in due course. What they in fact did was censorship, which is totally unacceptable in a country which enjoys freedom in a country which enjoys freedom of expression and freedom of the

press.
The Press Council has said on

reiterate, that action of this kind endangers hard-won freedoms which, once lost, will be difficult to recover and each repetition of such action makes that danger the

greater.
The council therefore condemns action of this kind and arges all sections of the industry to ensure concernion in preserving the cooperation in preserving the essential freedoms of free speech a free press and the right to pro Union accepts statement: Mr

Kenneth Smith, father (chairman) of the National Graphical

Association machine managers chapel (office branch) at The Times, said last night that he accepted the Press Council statement (the Press Association reports). Asked if the chapel members would accept what the Press Council called the "proper course" of action, he said: "If this is the agreed machinery

with regard to our trade union, I will abide by it."

By David Leigh

Mr Reg Prentice, who has been purposefully talking to non-Labour organizations since

The left-wing tone of the last party conference was unaccept-

Mr Neville Sandelson,

Mr Alex Lyon, a former Home Office minister, said yesterday that the appeal procedure for deportation cases like present experience had con-vinced him that in future the

marginal cases where the deportee disputes the allega-

dure laid down for security CRSes. Hosenball appeal: Mr Mark

cars, untidy buffet wet and dirty tableriticized in a report Rail catering by the ransport Consultative

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iforms in British Rail litter is called for.

The powdered tea and coffee introduced in recent months are said to be below the standard of the drinks previously served from pots. The container they are served in are condemned as unstable and too hot to hold. Catering on stations is generally approved. Station buffets are often more attractive than outside establishments, and compare especially well with motorway services, the report

The committee suggests that train catering should be let out on franchise where British Rail finds it uneconomic. Other suggestions it put forwar dare cheaper alternatives to the set meal, such as bacon and egg, greater encouragement to cleanliness, more litter bins, greater initiative on the part of local

### opean drivers hurry woid British food

ntal lorry drivers disag to Britain because, the food and accomare inferior to those a. They try to deliver n to the Continent the y, according to the mal coach and lorry

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many and other European coun

"The Continental driver is paid more, enjoys a higher pro-fessional status and expects to live better", Mr Richard Reed, secretary general of the UICR's British wing the Continental Freight Drivers Club, said yes-terday. In France drivers enjoyed special terms at hotels and restaurants approved by the

Negotiations were starting with one of the small motorway Continental standards in their premises. "Part of the problem is the professional status of the British driver; how he sees himself and is seen by orders.", Mr Reed said. "With a sub-sistence allowance of £4 a daymany would rather sleep in a slum and out baked beans for

# 'a waste of

By Arthur Reed
The inquiry into whether
European air fares are too high had been "little short of a fiasco", Mr Robert McCrindle, parliamentary consultant to the Guild of Business Travel

Agents, said yesterday. What little of concrete value that emerged from the discussions appeared to have confirmed the attitudes of the airines that European air fares are not, in the main, overpriced in comparison with those in the United States.
"The truth is that this was

little more than a public rela-tions exercise on the part of the authority to appease the Airline Users' Committee, and it seems that this consumer body was out of its depth when it originally criticized the level of European air fares, and has stumbled on lile an innocent in the jungle", he said.

He was surprised that the
Civil Aviation Authority had
lent its authority to "this waste

The best prospect of reducing air fares in Europe was to develop bilateral arrangements on advance purchase, some evidence of which had been given in the announcement of new

In the announcement of new fares between London and Greece, Turkey and Italy.

The CAA inquiry concluded vesterday after Mr Harvey Crush, representing a group of three of the smaller British independent airlines, had asked the authority to see that the business traveller was not subbusiness traveller was not sub-sidizing, through a high level of fares, passengers on the same flight going on holiday. During the inquiry British

Airways announced new lowcost advance purchase fares, but said that sterling prices for fares ought to be raised rather than lowered. British Caledonian said that proposals to simplify the European tariff would lead to fares being raised, rather than falling.

The CAA yesterday rejected Mr McCrindle's criticisms com-

menting that it had been "an extremely useful exercise in clarifying issues for both the authority and airlines".

Work in London's East End has disappeared faster than people

### 'Homes before jobs' policy being questioned

Planning Reporter

The Government is likely to be pressed during 1977 to adopt more discriminating policy on employment incentives. It will be urged to concentrate its efforts on the districts worst affected, including the inner cities, which Mr Shore, Secre-tary of State for the Environment, has promised will be given special consideration.

Nearly half of Britain's popu lation lives in so-called assisted areas. To classify whole regions as in need of special help, it is argued, is to obscure the real figures for the North-west, for instance, tend to disguise the acute crisis in parts of Mersey-side.

Even in Greater London, where unemployment is slightly below the national average, the position in some inner districts is as bad as anywhere in the country. Yet because the Southbe relatively prosperous, they receive no help.

It is just a year since the Greater London Council re-versed the policy it started 25 years ago of encouraging dis-persal from the inner city. It is generally accepted that a thinning out of the formerly teeming East End slums, for

heart of the old East End, the population has fallen by more than a third, yet unemployment is still well over twice the national average. By contrast, Uxbridge enjoys virtually full employment, although its population in the same period has increased by more than a

The fact, which nobody evidently foresaw a quarter of a providing an extra 4.000 jobs. difficulties, notably the high century ago, is that jobs have disappeared faster than people.

His policy has been, first, cost of land, rent and rates. Inspired by that strange slo-gan, "Homes before jobs", the planners decided that the nearest and easiest solution to overcrowded slums was comprehensive redevelopment, alkied to new zoning regulations that displaced thousands of small industries simply because they were adjudged to be

conforming".

Some inner London boroughs though not all, are now con-vinced that the policy was a disaster, that they can expect little practical help from either the Government or the GLC, and that regeneration will depend largely on their own efforts.

The outstanding example is instance, was necessary and Greenwich which took the lead

desirable, but the accompanying by appointing an employment to keep in close touch with development officer, Mr George ners' dream of a new life for the inhabitants who remained has failed to come true.

In Poplar and Stepney, the least of the of the total local about a frith of the total local labour force of 100 000 me. labour force of 100,000 was out of work

Since then, Mr George says, some £10m has been invested them any incentives", he pointed out. "All we can do is to encourage them, make them markable, 120 new firms have moved into more than a million square feet of refurbished factory space, representing an investment of some £20m and

where but need to be close to

"We are not able to offer feel they are wanted and give them all the help we can in obtaining industrial development certificates and so on.' There are still formidable difficulties, notably the high

UNEMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION LOSS IN LONDON						
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### Lesson for newer towns in cities' decay

By Our Planning Reporter The idea that the crisis facing the inner cities is a fairly new phenomenon, caused by the rapid collapse of industrial employment in the early 1960s, is challenged in a booklet published vesterday.
It is based on detailed studies

by the National Community. Development Project of five specific small areas; Benwell and North Shields in the Northeast, Batley in West Yorkshire, Saltley in Birmingham, and Canning Town in east London. concludes that the decay, which is attracting so much attention, is simply the final

which began as long ago as the end of the Pirst World War. "Decline has not been a simple process", it observes. "The collapse of the old industries is only one part of it, a part which has set up a long chain reaction. The surplus of unemployed workers, empty land and buildings left behind by the collapse of the traditional industries were soon exploited in new ways by new

"The growth of the new activities may have mopped up some of the unemployed in some areas, but it has not reversed the decline of these areas' economic bases; it has stage in a pattern of growth, areas' economic bases; it has stability and decline, the last of only served to disguise the full

New manufacturing, ware-housing and distribution businesses are attracted to older premises, which they can either rent cheaply or buy and convert at little cost. But their investment commitments are slight, and most of the jobs provided are low-paid and involve little skill.

Of the land released by the decline of older industries, much has simply remained derelict; more than a third of Salt-ley's industrial belt has been unused for years. But the property boom of the 1970s also provided large profits from investing in land rather than manufacturing industry, and

some companies were able to solve their cash-flow difficulties and supplement their capital by asset-stripping ".

The booklet advances no specific solutions, although it condemns both the capitalist system and government policies of intervention and regional aid. It also gives a warning that the istory of the five areas studied contains a lesson for newer and apparently more successful towns and cities.

The Costs of Industrial Change.
(Home Office Urban Deprivation
Unit, Horseferry House, Dean
Ryle Street, London, SW1P 2AW,
and CDP offices in Birmingham,
Newham, Newcastle and North
Tyneside, 80p.)

### Appeal for directives on school spending

By Our Education

Correspondent The National Association of Head Teachers in a statement today asks the Government to issue "directives" on the amount of money local educa-tion authorities should spend on maintaining minimum standards in schools.

Mr Michael Brighouse, chairman of the association's educational administration committee, says he wants the Government to prevent the teacher-pupil ratio from falling below the 1975 level. He would like to see minimum standards laid down for the amounts to be spent for a child on books, stationery and

equipment.
The association, which represents about 18,000 head teachers in state schools, szys it is wor-ried about the wide differences in school spending between local authorities. Each authority is allowed to decide how it allo-cates the rate-support grant among its different public ser-

Mr Brighouse says that wor-sening pupil-teacher ratios were particularly harmful to primary schools in towns, causing more children to leave school illiterate and semi-bierate. In secondary schools O-level and A-level options were being abandoned halfway through the course.

The association also says that charges for school meals should be raised. State subsidies on milk and meals' should be re-moved from the education budget and transferred to the De-partment of Health and Social

The statement says buses providing free travel for pupils living long distances from school were picking up other children free of charge. Those children should be charged economic

Rampton Hospital fire

Five patients were moved from a dormitory at the top-security Rampton Hospital, Nottinghamshire, yesterday, when fire broke out in a locker

### IS costs to patients icized by dentists

Health Service harges suggest scant i the dental health of in by a government uffixed to the priority id recipients of social grants the British Association says in the National Health

esent dental charges or £12 if dentures are The memorandum nat there can be no stification for levying on the patients of and opticians while es of treatment are

f money because of nt financial policies to a deterioration of dental nursing which puts the safety s in doubt, the associ-

ervices Correspondent service expenditure fell from J. Health Service 5.1 to 4.3 and the number of

work rose from 11,900 to 13,200. The number of dental courses increased from almost 20 million to more than 30 million, and the average cost, including the patients contribution, from dentist was responsible for 5,210 pupils in 1974, compared with 4,950 in 1964.

However, although Britain had a worse patient dentist ratio than most Western countries, the trends indicated that dental disease would be contained, and that the imbalance in regional distribution of dentists was being contion of dentists was being cor-

rected.

The number of deutists in the South-east had increased by only. 4 per cent in the past decade against 21 per cent in the rest of Britain. There were now 3,234 patients for each dentist in the South-east and 4922 in the south-east and 10 years from 1965 the 4,923 in other regions of he dental services as England and Wales.

### \_ional campaign over safety suggested

ntrywide gas safety should be launched ely, the National Gas rs Council said yes-n the wake of recent

is it believes that far ort should be made to umers of the possible and precautions to an a leak is suspected. Juncil says the minis-cerned should seek to blic fears that certain iances are unsafe. The is worried that t statements" about y be causing many lotably the elderly, to in essential warmth for

their gas appliances

might involve simply cutting off an appliance or turning off the supply at the meter. A charge was usually made when a permanent repair was made to an escape on an appliance or pipework the property of somebody other than British Gas.

Gas.

A free inspection would be made of appliances and installations of elderly people or handicapped people of any ageliving abone.

Gas blamed: The explosion that caused damage estimated at more than £1m in Bristol on December 29 was said by Mr on December 29 was said by Mr Terence McCarthy, chief fire officer of Avon Fire Brigade, yesterday to have been a "gas explosion of some sort" (our Rristol correspondent reports). fe.

1 Gas said yesterday

1 Gas no charge for to investigate a sus13a escape or to make

1 escape found, which

1 explosion of some sort (our Bristol correspondent reports). The South West Gas Board said: "We are not accepting at present that there is any evidence to prove that gas was the cause of the explosion."

#### rt clears a m of aken identity

nso Eric Douglas, a i mistaken identity, was the Central Criminal sterday after spending in custody for a crime not commit. Judge QC, the Recorder, said i leave court without a his character from the fences he was charged

ruglas, aged 30, an elec-married with two chil-Holland Road, Willes-d been accused of an armed robbery afreity cked out on an identity by a bystander who to have seen the rob-he Director of Public tions offered no evi-n the eight charges and glas was formally found ty and discharged. ouglas later paid tribute solice, who, he said, did

#### Moderates oust left-wingers

Moderate members of the Labour Party have won control of a vital ward in Bradford, West, constituency where Mr Edward Lyons faces a strong challenge from left-wingers.

They have taken over key positions in Allerton West branch and have won three of the ward's four seats on the constituency management committee, ousting left-wingers from control.

### PC badly injured by train

Police Constable Michael Taylor, aged 27, was struck by a train at Sowerby Bridge station, West Yorkshire, yesterday while investigating a suspected case of vandalism on a railway

signal. He was near a tunnel when he was hit, and suffered severe nisrake had been made. head and chest injuries.

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### 300 supermarkets defy drivers' decision to keep price of loaf at 18p in England and 19p in Scotland

More than three hundred supermarkets defied a move by van drivers yesterday to deter-mine the minimum price of a large wrapped loaf at 18p in England and 19p in Scotland. Two grocery companies said supplies were disrupted much less than last week, despite Monday's decision by drivers' leaders in the United Road Transport Union to adopt an

That decision is to be considered by the union executive on Saturday. Some supermarket companies expect to be allowed to sell large wrapped loaves for less than 18p until then.

Mr Jackson Moore, general recretary of the union, said resterday that only a few super-tarkets would try to sell such loaves for less than 18p.

Mr Archibald Elliott, con-rener of shop stewards who represent drivers in the Trans-rort and General Workers' "We have had bread taken Union, said that only five stores away from stores because we

From Christopher Walker

Mr Mason, Secretary of State

for Northern Ireland, is to visit Jublin next week for a series

of talks with members of the Irish coalition Government, in-

cluding Dr FitzGerald, Minister for Foreign Affairs, and Mr Cooney, Minister for Justice.

serious disagreement between

he governments: the opening

llegations of the torture of re-

bers of Britain's Special Air Service Regiment on arms

Cuts in road and transport

spending ordered by the Govern-

ment are causing serious con-cern among local authorities.

of the transport supplementary

grant to be distributed to non-metropolitan councies compared

with the metropolitan areas.

More particularly Hertford-shire County Council expressed

the fear that reductions in road

maintenance spending were building up difficulties for the

Local Government

Correspondent

Road, transport spending

The Association of County in 1977-78, while the share of the reduction in the share

cuts worry councils

Wide agenda for

Mason talks in Dublin

in Scotland were selling bread for less than 19p.

The Key Markets group said bread had been delivered to all its 92 shops for sale at 174p. Last week several had faced disruption of supplies. Mr David Gaulfield, managing director, deplored the union's decision to fix an 18p minimum.

"I believe the housewife is "I believe the housewife is tired of being dictated to", he said. "Why should she not be allowed to choose where she buys her bread, as she was happy to do before all this

ference? Sainsbury reported that it was selling bread packed under its own name for 17p in all its two hundred shops except in 18 in Yorkshire and the Midlands. Asda, the retailing arm of Associated Dairies, said that between twenty and thirty of

"We have had bread taken

of its supermarkets in Scotland were selling at 17p, although some had been refused sup-plies".

#### Farm warning

Farmers told Mr Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, yesterday that they would take militant action against pigmeat imports failing aid for British pig

Mr Martin Baber, who farms 300 acres in Gloucestershire, said after meeting Mr Silkin that action would include the possibility of hijacking Danish bacon lorries and blocking

### Forced sale of S African

second meeting between Dr FitzGerald and Mr Mason, the first having taken place in London lass September. High on the agenda will be the continuing political vacuum in Northern Ireland and cross-border security cooperation.

violence by the Provisional IRA

the date of the visit has not been disclosed. It will be the

The visit, the first to the re-public by an Ulster Secretary I understand that the Irish f State since the assassination ministers will explain their reasons for refusing to sign the European convention on the last July of the British Ambas-sador to Dublin, Mr Christopher suppression of terrorism, which was urged last week in the House of Commons by Mr Mason and would remove certain political barriers to extra-Ewart-Biggs, has taken on added significance because of the deli-cate state of Anglo-Irish diplo-It will be followed in quick succession by two issues of

In spite of the many difficul-ties, general relations between Britain and Ireland remain cordial, largely because of the mutually declared intention of clamping down on the Provi-sional IRA. The Irish Cabine-was particularly gratified by Mr of the hearing by the European Court of Human Rights on Irish publican internees, and the trial in Dublin of eight mem-

was particularly gratified by Mr Mason's recent firm pledge against withdrawing British Because of fear of possible troops from Ulster.

increased from 51.2 per cent to

meant that councils would be

substantial " redundancies.

66.3 per cent.

clays tomorrow.

Mr Minty's movement maintains that the South African systematic attack on the coun-try's black labour movement. It try, Mr James Ireland, chairman of the association's planning and transport committee, said the share of the transport supplementary grant for non-metropolican counties had been reduced from 38.8 per

action by Bricish unions would help the morale of black South African workers.

# bonds urged

By Peter Godfrey By Peter Godfrey

A halt to further British investment in South Africa was demanded in London yesterday by the Anti-Apartheid Movement. In a letter to the Prime Minister, it called on the Government to compel British companies and subsidiaries holding South African defence bonds to relinquish them.

The appeal is timed to coincide with trade union pres-

The appeal is timed to coincide with trade union pressure against South Africa,
which was welcomed by Mr
Abdul Minty, the movement's
secretary. He saw the legal
obstacle encountered by the
Union of Post Office Workers
in its planned boycott of the
resime as a teething trouble.

"If the law is still in dispute
after this, there will be very
strong pressure for the law to
change", he said.

The call for an end to the
holding of South African

The call for an end to the holding of South African defence bonds by British companies is aimed particularly at Barclays Bank, which invested £6m in the bonds last mouth. The movement plans to picket more than 100 branches of Barclays removed.

Government is engaged in a cites the recent banning of trade unionists in Johannesburg. Cane Town and Durban.
Mr John Gaetsewe, secretary-general of the South African
Congress of Trade Unions, said

### One-parent families debate will air fears

By Pat Healy The House of Lords will have its first opportunity to express its concern at the plight of the 200,000 one-parent families in Britain when it debates the Finer report for the first time anday. But share it likely hope

Finer report for the first time today. But there is little hope that the Government will respond with concrete proposals. The Government intends to take no action before 1980 on the most important of the Finer proposals: that a social security benefit should be introduced for one-parent families. It has decided instead to concentrate on improving child benefits. on improving child benefits.

There are several reasons behind the Government's decision. Chief among them is the history of child benefits so far. The Government was embarrassed by the hostile response to its back-tracking on child benefits last year, which fuelled the controversy on the relative spending power of people in

the controversy on the relative spending power of people in and out of work. Generous child benefits, which the Government had originally intended to provide, would have defused that campaign because they would have been paid whether the family was working or not.

Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, accepts that there is an overwhelming case for improving child benefits bur believes that it cannot be achieved until the transfer of the father's child tax allowances into cash benefits for the mother has been completed in April, 1979. His officials, on the other hand, believe it unrealis. other hand, believe it unrealis-tic to suppose that extra cash will not be made available to sweeten the transfer.

But, whenever the child bene-fits improvement when place

fits improvement takes place, it will take up any cash that might otherwise have been available for a new one-parent family benefit. The Government has considered, and rejected the considered t ted, a number of proposals for a means-tested benefit on the lines of the guaranteed maintenance allowance proposed by the Finer committee. That pro-posal would have introduced a benefit tapering off as earnings

Other proposals considered by the Government include a bene-fit similar to the non-contributory invalidity pension for dis-abled people. That has been rejected because it would offer help mainly to the better-off one-parent families, leaving the poorest still on supplementary benefit.

The proposal that would comne proposal that would com-mand most support among one-parent families and their organi-zations has been rejected be-cause it would be expensive and risk public hostility. That pro-posal is to extend the present widowed mothers' allowance to all one-parent families. all one-parent families.

By increasing child benefits instead the Government would command general public support that might not be available for a special benefit paid workers.
Embargo effects, page 7 to deserted, separated divorced wives.



Show goes on: Miss Donna McKechnie, the Broadway actress at the Theatre Royal Drury Lane, London, yesterday, after it at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, London, yesterday, after it had been announced that Equity, the actors' union, had withdrawn its objection to her taking over the leading role of Cassie in A Chorus Line at Drury Lane next Monday. The union had been given an undertaking that a British actress would take over from the American within four weeks. The player who will be taking over is Miss Petra Siniawski, from Liverpool. She has been understudying Miss Elizabeth Seal, the British dancer, who was dropped from the role of Cassie by the musical show's producer and director. Equity said yesterday that it deplored the circumstances of her dismissal, and would give her full support in any claim she might make for damages. Miss support in any claim she might make for damages. Miss McKechnie, who joins the cast for the next four weeks, is the wife of Mr Michael Bennett the show's director. She said: "I am relieved that it has all been settled.

Union calls man

in 'job bribes'

case to hearing

Mr Robert Knight, a former British Leyland convener who was alleged to have accepted bribes of up to £50 to get people jobs, is being summoned before the leaders of his union, the Amplemented Union of

the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers.

Mr John Boyd, general secre-tary, said yesterday after a meeting of the executive:

"The executive council have decided to communicate with

brother Knight, asking him to show just cause why they should not deal with him for

conduct detrimental to the best interests of the union and its members." No date has yet

Mr Knight, aged 56, was dismissed from Leyland's body plant at Castle Bromwich, Birmingham. He denied the

comes after a report by two members, Mr Terence Duffy, and Mr Reginald Birch.

If Mr Knight chooses to appear before the executive he will again be questioned and invited to debate the circum-

The executive can exonerate.

fine, suspend or expel him. He has the right of appeal to the union's final appeal body.

executive's decision

been fixed.

### Mr Powell's fear of 'nothing to die for'

By a Staff Reporter Mr Enoch Powell, MP, said

yesterday that he was haunted by the fear that the erosion of British nationhood by such evenus as Commonwealth immigration and membership of the EEC would soon leave the British with nothing left to die

He was giving a lunchtime talk on patriotism at St Lawrence Jewry, next Guildhall, in the City of London, and defined the quality as having a nation to die for, and being glad to die for it all the days of one's life. The person who claims to be a patriot should be bewared of as much as the man who claims he is honest, he said.

According to the vicar, the Rev Basil Watson, who intro-duced Mr Powell as a great patriot and an honourable Eng-lishman, his church had never held such numbers before. They were sitting and standing in every corner.

Mr Powell said that the idea of a common national allegi-ance to the Crown in Parliament was central to all his poli-tical ideas. That common allegiance had been nullified by "the humbug and pretence and self-deception of the British Nationality Act, 1948".

He would not have chosen to become the eponymous expon-ent of the docume that mass immigration from the New Commonwealth would be, by its numbers and distribution, destructive of the nation. The basis for his conviction was not generic, nor eugenic, nor racial, partly because he had never been able to discover what race meant, and had never arranged his fellow men on a scale of merit according to their origin. The basis was political.

"It is the belief that selfidentification of each part with the whole is the one essential precondition of being a parliamentary nation; and that the massive shift in the composition of the population of the inner metropolis and of major towns and cities of England will produce, not fortuitously or avoid-ably, but by the sheer inevita-bilities of human nature in society, ever increasing and more dangerous alienation."

There was no individual, how ever remote and strange his background and origins, who could not achieve the selfidentification that was the touchstone of belonging to a nation. "But from the individual to the millions there runs no line of analogy or deduc-tion. If I could believe it, I would; but I cannot."

### In brief

14 years' jail for Ulster gir

Eileen Teresa Morg 18, who was said planted fire bombs in : in Newry, co Down, in 14 years' imprisonmen Miss Morgan, of I Newry, refused to reco arson and possessing a ing incendiary devices on November 21, 1975.

Solicitor's death A post-mortem exa was carried out yeste Mr David McCaig, a aged 27, whose body w in a field near Andove shire, on Monday. Hi Police said they do not

Uranium applica: Orkney Islands Cou Orkney Islands Coureceived an application the South of Scotlar unicity Board for permiting Board for Board

Sentence reduced Michael Lynch, ager Park Road, Newhaver burgh, had a six-mo sentence, imposed ove test march assault, rec three months at M Crown Court yesterday

1.800 benefit frau In Scotland last yes security frauds, of wit were jailed, 1,333 fin admonished and 65 pl

Chimney ban call Glossop Civic Societ asl: the Secretary of S he Environment to building of a 400it steney at a metal works Peak District National 1

Wiltshire rates up Wiltshire Count C ing year has been fixed a rise of 10p. The co to receive £8.25m 1 government grants.

Ban on crash girl Phillipa Houldsworth 19, who was disabled in banned from driving for at Oxford Crown Court day for driving dangerou

Merseyside police Merseyside police forc 110, bringing it to 4.45 to engage management ants to increase efficien

### Counsel says note showe no plot by Mr Slater

Slater, Walker executives to a solicitor showed there was no secret conspiracy in the formation of a private investment company by Mr James Slater and some of his executives, it was stated at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, Westminster, yesterday.

Mr Kenneth Barraclough, the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, is hearing an application by the Singapore Government for the extradition of Mr Slater and Mr Richard Tarling, a former Slater, Walker executive, on charges in connexion with the private company, Spydar Securities Ltd. Mr Slater faces six charges and Mr Tarling 17, which involve two other companies as well as Spydar.

Counsel for the Singapore Government has alleged that Spydar was used to siphon cash and shares from Haw Par Brothers International Ltd for the benefit of Mr Slater and other executives. It was alleged the company was kept secret from some directors and share-

Mr John Mathew, for the defence of Mr Slater, refered to a file note from March, 1972, which he said was a note for action to be taken to set up Spydar. The note was freely given by Mr Slater to company inspectors in 1975 when investi-gations into Spydar and Haw

A file note and a visit by began. The note camleft Singapore on his

Counsel read part of a ment made by Mr Slater, said that at the time 5 was created he was work and he would have pumore by buying a large of a company publicly that ing Spydar with a small He joined Spydar becau was asked to do so and courage other executives. Mr Mathew said the held by Spydar would risen in value anyway be of the boom market in pore. If disclosure of

pany had been made it only have helped r hecause of Mr Slater's fin reputation. Mr Mathew said: "The no way in which the cha of this vast group of comp should have gone our Eas have risked his liberty

reputation for an investme £20,000." Examining further question of secrecy, Mr Mi said that after Mr Slates to a legal adviser to discus incentive scheme. He ad "It is a strange form secrecy when two of partners in the scheme telling their solicitor abou

The hearing continues to

### Students' union building 'open market for drugs'

From Our Correspondent

A student's union building A student's union building was nothing more than an open market for the sale and taking of drugs. Mr John Coffey, the Greater Manchester magistrate, said yesterday. He had before him 15 people on drug charges. They were arrested at Manchester University Students' Union.

Union.
Imposing fines totalling £370 on 13 of them, Mr Coffey said:
"I take the view that the union has brought a lor of this trouble on you. There is an appalling lack of control at these premises and anyone who wishes can go in and nurchase wishes can go in and purchase cannabis knowing it is readily available there and being sold

quite openly."

Mr Coffey was told that only two of the defendants were students. Several of the others had told him they had just walked into the union because there was no supervision on the door.

Mr Kenneth Smith, for the prosecution, said drug squad detectives raided the union in Oxford Road. Manchester, last November and arrested the 15

in possession of varying amounts of cannabis resin. One of them was Joseph Gallagher, aged 23, of Wilms-

low Road, Didsbury, who mirted possessing and su ing cannabis. He was remai on bail until February 8. Gallagher said he had selling quarter-ounce block cannabis in the union buil at £7.50 a time. "I sold it cause I want money for a n gage", be said.

Two university studingel Leigh, aged 21, of R ford Avenue, Levenshulme. Pauline White, aged 20, of ford Road, both Manche were each fined £10 for havenanabis. Other senter

Mr Coffey, on an applicat by the prosecution, order that all the drugs seized in



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# Blizzard traps family all night in car

moretorium on capital projects A family of three were re-covering yesterday after a bliz-zard had trapped them in a car unlikely to be able to prevent on Dartmoor overnight. The Edgerton family from Woolston, The cuts elso affect the GLC's programmes. The council future.

Air Michael Hardy, county surveyor, said the council's port committee had been told road-mending budger was being cut for the fourth successive year, and maintenance was lagging millions of pounds behind the intended programme.

Speaking for the whole county said yesterday that its transport committee had been told that more roads would have to be patched. The £13m allocated to road maintenance and operation in 1977-78 means a cut of 12 per cent in real terms on this year's figure. near Southampton, were stranded for more than four hours at the Dartmeet beauty spot in the heart of the moor. Two police Range-Rovers battled through the blizzard to rescue the family and another motorist trapped in his car near

the same spot

Joanne Edgerton, aged eight, said yesterday: "It was really frightening. The worst moments were when daddy was away trying to get help. We were really worried about him."

Many Jocal authorities in Scotland are running out of

Rain brought a big improve-ment in road conditions in many parts of England yesterday. All main roads in Devon and Corn-wall were clear but snow and icy patches persisted in parts of the North and Midlands.

Scotland are running out of funds for snow clearance and the treatment of icebound roads,

according to Mr Ian Brown, secretary of Transport Action Scotland, the road users' organpatches persisted in parts ization. He said the Government should set aside emertwo northbound lanes of the gency funds

### **Expanded BBC2 would** cost £2m to £5m a year By Kenneth Gosling An expanded BBC 2 trans-

mitting until after midnight was among hopes for the future described by Mr Aubrey Singer, controller of the channel, yesterday. He looked forward to morn-

ing and afternoon drama repeats for shift workers and to

Much, he said, would depend on the Annan report on the future of broadcasting and on the Government, and the plans would be £5m a year. That was imprecisely a transfer of the first and the plans would be £5m a year. That was imprecisely a transfer of the first and the plans would be £5m a year. That was imprecisely a transfer of the first and the plans would be £5m a year. That was imprecisely a transfer of the first and the plans would be £5m a year. That was imprecisely a transfer of the plans where the plans were the plans where the plans where the plans were the plans where the plan would take time, but BBC 2

needed more scope.

Speaking to the Broadcasting

### Public houses may sell

lottery tickets

By Diana Geddes By Diana Geddes
Lottery tickets promoted by
local authorities, charities and
certain other societies should
be allowed to go on sale in
shops and public houses, the
Home Office says. Advertising
for such lotteries should be
permitted on radio and television.

vision.
Those proposals, contained in draft regulations under the Lotteries Act, 1975, laid before Lotteries ACT, 1975, laid before Parliament yesterday, constitute a rejection of recommendations in a Home Office consultative document last May. The draft regulations were prepared in the light of comments later received by the Home Office.

Most of the other recommendations in the consultative document have been adopted. document have been adopted by the Government Under the draft regulations the sale of lottery tickets would still be prohibited in licensed betting offices, emusement arrades, licensed bingo or gaming clubs, from wending machines and in the smoot, except where the seller is in a kiosk.

If Parliament approves the regulations the way will be open to bring the Lotteries Act, 1975, fully into operation.

#### Press Guild, he said he would like the Annan committee to recommend a fourth channel to accommodate the Open Univer-sity which now takes 35 hours

Mr Singer said it would cost up to £2m a year to give the country's six million shift workers two hours of television early evening programmes for in the morning and two in the children.

impracticable at present but it might be possible within two to

### Changes in benefit-appeal tribunals announced

By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent A direct right of appeal from supplementary-benefit appeal tribunals to the High Court is to be granted in the next few months, Mr Orme, Minister for Social Security, announced in the Commons yesterday. The right will be allowed on points of law and will not preclude introduction of a second-tier tribunal system.

tribunal system later. That is the most important of That is the most important of a series of changes announced by Mr Orme in response to the report on the tribunals by Professor Kathleen Bell, Professor of Social Studies at Newcastle University, published more than 15 months ago. Professor Bell said then that tribunals were not clearly importial, and appellants and tripartial, and appellants and tri-bunal prembers were confused about their powers.

The new changes implement

some of the more urgent of Professor Bell's recommendations and will not require legislation. Mr Orme said yesterday that he hoped they would increase public confidence in the tribunals. The main changes are a move

### towards appointing more legally qualified chairman as varancies occur, and a sytem of training for them, to be introduced as soon as possible. Other improvements will be aimed at emphasizing the tribunals' independence, making them as accessible as possible, and simplifying procedures.

There are to be better tri-bunal premises, clearer and more complete documentation of appeals, and improved forms and explanatory leaflets. The roles of tribuna clerks and officers representing the Supplementary Benefits Commis-sion at hearings, which Profes-sor Bell's report criticized, are

The changes received in general welcome yesterday from the Child Poverty Action Group, which has criticized the tribunals for not being clearly impartial. Mr Henry Hodge, legal officer to the received in legal officer to the group's Citizens' Rights Office, hoped the new right of appeal would not rule out a second-tier appeal tribunal.

The group feels that tribunal clerks should not be employees of the department.

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# ttorney General tells judges that he is answerable to Parliament alone

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reasons for not intervening might have been what were described as "political" reasons and therefore not good legal reasons. He appreciated, however, even if the press did not, that the term "political" is in miportance that in the of the Attorney General's on to give his consent at uest of a member of the color, when Attorney General in 1969 had written in the Cambridge Law Journal, page 48, that "In the field of responsibility for litingation, party political considera-

the field of responsibility for liti-gation, party political considera-tions do not affect the Attorney General's judgment. But it is of the nature of his office that he must have constant regard to what is politic in the broad sense of what is in the public interest". He adopted that distinction.

The Master of the Rolls: 1 remember Sir Hartley Shawcross saying much the same thing.

The Attorney said that statement echoed the approach of a long line of Law Officers, both before and after 1969. He had

Having read the indgments de-livered on Saturday there appeared to be one vital constitutional issue on which he must address the court. Time and again, the courts, numerous distinguished textbook writers, and Law Officers past and current, had stated that in this field the Attorney's discretion was

The Master of the Rolls: That used to be said by other ministers of the Crown at one time. If it himself without your consent? The Attorney said that he would

since the major constitutional issue was his primary concern. Lord Justice Lawton : In the McWhirter case it was not suggested that the court could challenge the Attorney's discretion when he acts on his own account; but the issue was what was no be done when the Attorney refused his consent and the circumstances indicated that he could not have indicated that he could not have approached the problem in the

The Attorney replied that in the McWhirter case all the members of the court and all the counsel concerned, including his predecessor. Sir Peter Rawlinson, QC, had explicitly accepted the principle that the Attorney had an absolute discretion and was answerable to Parliament alone. Though the Master of the Rolls (at page 648) had said that if the Attorney General refused leave for no good reason or on entirely wrong reason or on entirely wrong grounds an aggrieved citizen might come to the courts for a declaration that that was not the issue in the case. But Lord Denning had also made the major constitutional declaration that in exercising his functions in releasor proceed. his functions in relator proceed-ings the Attorney General was not subject to the control of the courts. If it was to be challenged it must be challenged in the highest court of the land.

The Master of the Rolls: Is it permissible for the court to know, or ask the Attorney what his

The function of the Attorney in issue in the present proceedings was one of the many functions of a discretionary character exercised by him, not'in a uninsterial capacity divorced from the collective responsibility of ministers; but in a special sphere which involved what might indeed be lonely

decision of a minister such as that in the *Tomeside* case may be very different from that of the Attorney General in his special sphere?

The Attorney agreed. Some of his functions were statutory, such as the grant or withholding of his first for certain types of prosecution. Others were of ancient origin tion. Others were of ancient origin such as his power to go to the court ex officio, his relator function, in issue directly in the present case, and his power to bring before the court matters which he asked the court to say were contempts of court. There was a common thread running through the whole, area: the Attorney's answerability to Parliament and not to the courts. It followed that the court could not question the Attorney's reasons for acting or for refusing to act. The court could not question the Attorney's reasons for acting or for refusing to act. The court could not question the resistent with the principle that, it was to Parliament alone that he must explain himself that the court should draw deductions on what his reasons were or might be. He had to say with the utmost

He had to say with the utmost respect but also with the utmost firmness that the courts must not assume any part of the mantle of Parliament so that the courts might be saying one thing and Parliament another.

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Parliament another.

The court had been right to say in the judgments on Saturday that the issue raised was one of major constitutional importance. One could hardly recall an issue of greater constitutional importance than the present.

The second major issue was concerned more specifically with the question of the power of the individual to bring proceedings to restrain the commission, of some

#### **Ex-councillor** iailed for six months

John McInespie, a former Glasgow councillor, was sen-tenced at Glasgow Sheriff tenced at Glasgow Sherist Court yesterday to six months' imprisonment for presenting a forged letter, but was found not guilty of four charges of fraudulently claiming a total of £2,700 expenses and loss of earnings between 1972 and 1975 for meetings that the procedurion allocated he did not e connecting him with : Humphreys, described as prosecution alleged he did not

> In his summing-up, Sheriff Francis Middleton criticized the procedure of Glasgow City Chambers for handling expenses claims. Later he said that Mr McInespie had been guilty of gross deceit.

### Jail sentence on shoplifter

Mr Kenneth Harrington, at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, Westminster, yesterday said he was determined to my to stop shoplifting.

He gave Miss Celita Rossi, aged 27, an Italian student, a three-month prison sentence suspended for two years, and fined her £350 with £25 costs for thefts from Harrods and ordered to pay £100 costs. | another store.

wrongful act or filegality of general public importance, in cases where the individual had no special locus which entitled him to bring proceedings himself, On that two questions arose: to what extent was the Attorney General extent was the Attorney General extent was the Attorney General's name required as plain-tiff; and whether there were circumstances in which, his name being unavailable as plaintiff, he could be joined as defendant and

subject to the recent statutory exception which gave a new power to local authorities under the Local Government Act of 1972, the Attorney General alone could move the court to restrain the commission of a crime as such— whether he did so ex officio or by lending his name as plaintiff by way of relator action.

person who wished to use the post or telephone services which were the subject of the action proposed

The Attorney: No. The plaintiff in the present case disclaimed any such special interest and sought my consent for an injunc-

out the Attorney General's con-sent, there was no need to join him as a defendant or seek his

Lord Justice Lawton: What made it as clear as a placement of saturday that what the union proposed was contrary to the criminal law of the land. What is the court to do if no notice is taken of the declaration?

The Attorney said that to ignore a declaration would be a serious

what the Government of the day

task placed on him was a diffi-

cult, onerous and embarrassing task, of which he would be glad to be relieved, not merely because the Attorney was almost certain to be said to be wrong, whatever he did, but also because of the immense amount of time it took as Rut when he was asked to say whether it was a proper case for relator proceedings, the Attorney took into account divers

sent provided he had a sufficiently proximate interest.

Lord Justice Ornared: Does that go for injunctions, too?

The Attorney: No. The plain
The Attorney: No. The plain-

Lord Justice Lawton: So even
if the Attorney General has exercised his discretion corruptly the
ordinary courts cannot challenge
his behaviour? The Master of the Rolls : I don't think one need go so far as cor-ruption. You could say "in the absence of good faith".

The Attorney: Yes; for in the area of good and bad faith the courts will be advancing into the area which is Parliament's alone. The court will understand the danger of the situation in which a court, which is not a legislative authority, seeks to change the law. If the law is to be changed it must be changed by Parliament and by Parliament alone,

ing to the main constitutional issue were to be found in Professor Edwards's book on The Law sor's time of Lena Khalen where the Attorney had to determine a matter of public policy. Abandoning a criminal charge had always been a matter of wide public concern and led to controstrike action. He had said that though he was being blamed in some quarters for not taking precipitate actions and in others for not having moved earlier, the question of timing was something he was entitled to consider, for precipitate action might lead to the opposite result from that which

The Master of the Rolls : What

possible consequences of a prose-cution and then make their own decision. The question for us is whether that applies to relator proceedings when a private-individual comes to the court.

enabled him to make his mind up whether to prosecute or to defer prosecution to see whether wiser counsels prevailed. If it was to be knowledge and by giving his con-sent allow a private citizen to go to the court and obtain an injunc-

The courts had held on many occasions that the very fact that sent was an important factor to be taken into account in the exercise

There must be, as for instance in cases under the Official Secrets Act, a distinct element of what was the balance of public interest, and even in a case in which it was and even in a case in which it was absolutely clear that an offence was being committed the question of the wider public interest must form part of the Acterney's decis-ion. He was not simply a lawyer applying a lawyer's knowledge. He was a politician. He had access to information and material which applied him to exercise his first. responsibility was left with the

The court had asked about the distinction between a declaration and an injunction. A declaration said what the law was, but an injunction was the first step taken in civil procedure in relation to enforcing the law.

The Master of the Rolls: If you say "I do not think it politic to enforce the law" is the alternative to go on breaking the law? Does

The Attorney said that it was for him to decide what was the balance of the public interest, and that balance was no different the many stable was no different to the many stable was no different. and that begins have was no otherem if he was applying his mind to the circumstances of a possible criminal prosecution. By saying "no" to an injunction the

The Attorney replied that there might be acts within the know-ledge of the Attorney when assessing the public interest as best he could, he had to consider the balance extremely carefully. Cases ney could properly have regard. Lord Justice Lawton : It is very rare for a prominent union offi-cial to go on television on a Thursday night and say "I am going to tell my members to break the low?"

The Atterpey: No doubt that is a factor, like all the other factors, which go to make up the difficult balance of the public interest which an Attorney General has to decide for himself.

The Master of the Boils: Suppose you felt that the trade union would not obey the court's order, would that be a ground for refusing your consent to a relator action?

The Attorney replied that, as Lord Shawcross had said in describing his functions as Attorney General, the Attorney was entitled, in consider ing criminal-proceedings to uphold the law against certain people was

The Master of the Rolls: That means that no steps could be taken against people who were breaking the law if they were too

criminal law in order to prevent a breach of the law by industrial action which is criminal action. It action which is criminal action. It is precisely because this general broad principle was recognized by all parties that when in 1971 the Important Relations Act was piloted through Parliament the then Solicitor General justified one of the sections which abolished the offence of public utility officers acting in breach of their contracts he saving that in the apt to deal with it.

union having issued an instruction it was, on the best information available, highly unlikely that that instruction would be obeyed, and instruction would be obeyed, and that the thing most calculated to cause it to be obeyed would be precipitate action against the union, was it to be said that such action was to be taken? The Master of the Rolls: You are saying that it might exacerbate the situation.

The Attorney replied that where the functions of the Law Officers had been explained for decades, and all the authorities were unaminous that the courts could not the courts of the cou intervene, coind the whole situa-tion suddenly be changed in 1976? The decisions which the Attorney General had to take were often of the utmost delicacy—deal-ing with international relations and

Lord Justice Ormrod: But all the court is asked to do in this case is to say "You have been told what the law is. Don't break it.".

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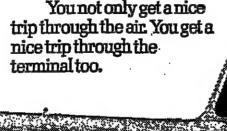
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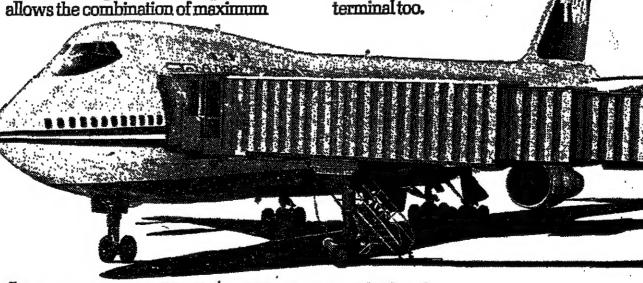
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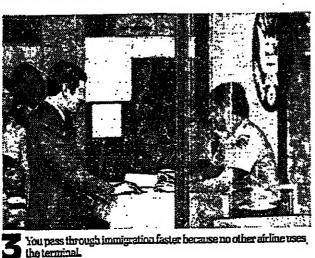
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A statement issued today by the Anglican and Roman Catholic theological commission stated that agreement had been eached on the doctrine of uthority in the Church, apart

The agreed statement said at while consensus did not holly resolve all the problems f papel primacy it provided a

The following is the text of

Introduction

I the confession of Christ as
Lord is the heart of the Christian
faith. To him God has given all
authority in heaven and on earth. As Lord of the Church he be-stows the Holy Spirit to create a communion of men with God and with one another. To bring his koinonia to perfection is God's eternal purpose. The Church exists to serve the fulfilment of this purpose when God will be all in all.

I CHRISTIAN AUTHORITY
2. Through the gift of the Spirit
the apostolic community came to
recognize in the words and deeds recognize in the words and deeds of Jesus the saving activity of God and their mission to proclaim to all men the good news of salvation. Therefore they preached Jesus through whom God has spoken finally to men. Assisted by the Holy Spirit they transmitted what they had heard and seen of life and words of Jesus and their interpretation of his redemptive work. Consequently the inspired documents in which this is related came to be accepted by the lated came to be accepted by the Church as a normative record of the authentic foundation of the faith. To these the Church has recourse for the inspiration of its life and mission; to these the Church refers its teaching and Church refers its teaching and practice. Through these written words the authority of the Word of God is conveyed. Entrusted with these documents, the Christian community is enabled by the Holy Spirit to live out the gospel and so to be led into all truth. It is therefore given the capacity to assess its faith and life and to speak to the world in the name of Christ. Shared commitment and belief create a common mind in determining how the gospel should be interpreted and obeyed. By reference to this com-

obeyed. By reference to this common faith each person tests the truth of his own belief.

3. The Spirit of the risen Lord, who indwells the Christian community, continues to maintain the people of God in obedience to the Father's will. He safeguards their faithfulness to the revela-tion of Jesus Christ and equips them for their mission in the world. By this action of the Roly Spirit the authority of the Lord is active in the Church. Through incorporation into Christ and obedience to him Christians are made open to one another and assume mutual obligations. Since the Lordship of Christ is universal, the community also bears a res-ponsibility towards all mankind, which demands participation in all that promotes the good of society and responsiveness to every form of human need. The common life in the body of Christ equips the community and each of its mem-bers with what they need to fulfill this responsibility: They this responsibility: they are enabled so to live that the authority of Christ will be mediated through them. This is Christian authority: when Christians so act and speak, men perceive the authoritative word of Christ.

II AUTHORITY IN THE CHURCH 4. The Church is a community which consciously seeks to submit to Jesus Christ. By sharing in the life of the Spirit all find within to Jesus Christ. By sharing in the life of the Spirit all find within the kottamia the means to be faithful to the revelation of their Lord. Some respond more fully to his call; by the inner quality of their life they win a respect which allows them to speak in Christ's name with authority.

5. The Holy Spirit also gives to some individuals and communities special gifts for the benefit of the Church, which entitle them to speak and be heeded (eg Eph. A.11, 12; 1 Cor 12.4-11).

Among these gifts of the spirit for the edification of the Church in the episcope of the ordained ministry. There are some whom the Holy Spirit commissions through ordination for service to the whole community. They exercise their authority in fulfilling ministerial functions related to the spossible for preserving and promoting the integrity of the koimonia is the integrity of the koimonia in the integrity of the koimonia is the church's response to the Lordship of Christ and its commitment to mission. Since the bishop has general oversight of the community, he can require the compliance necessary to maintain faith and charity in its daily life. He does not, however, act alone. All those who have ministerial authority must recognize their mutual responsibility and interdependence. This service of the Church, officially entrusted only to ordained ministers, is intrinsic to the Church, officially entrusted only to ordained ministers, is intrinsic to the Church's structure according to the mandate given by Christ and recognized by the community. This is yet another form



The Anglican Bishop of Ossory, Ferns and Leighlin, the Right Rev H. R. McAdoo (left). and the Roman Catholic Bishop of East Anglia, Mgr Alan C. Clark, co-chairmen.

apostolic mission. Faithful to the gospel, celebrating the one eucharist and dedicated to the service of the same Lord, it is the Church of Christ. In spite of diversifies each local church recognizes its own essential features in the others and its true identity with them. The authoritative action and proclamation of the people of God to the world therefore are not simply the responsibilities of each church acting separately, but of all the local churches together. The spiritual churches together. The spiritual gifts of one may be an inspiration to the others. Since each bishop must ensure that the local community is distinctively Christian he has to make it aware of the unitative action of this community is distinctively Christian he has to make it aware of the unitative actions of the community is distinctively Christian he has to make it aware of the unitative actions of the community is distinctively Christian he has to make it aware of the unitative desired. has to make it aware of the universal communion of which it is part. The bishop expresses this unity of his church with the others: this is symbolized by the participation of several bishops in his ordination.

9. Ever since the Council of Jerusalem (Acts 15) the churches have realized the need to express and strengthen the keingnia by coming together to discuss matters of mutual concern and to meet contemporary challenges. Such gatherings may be either regional or worldwide. Through such meetings the Church, determined to be obedient to Christ and faithful to its vocation, formulates its rule of faith and orders its life. In all these councils, whether of bishops only, or of bishops, clergy, and laity, decisions are authoritative when they express the common faith and mind of the Church. menical council." are binding upon the whole Church; those of a regional council or synod bind only the churches it represents. Such decrees are to be received by the local churches as expressing the mind of the Church. This exercise of authority, far from being an imposition, is designed to strengthen the life and mission of the local churches and of their members.

members.

10. Early in the history of the 10. Early in the history of the Church a function of oversight of the other bishops of their regions was assigned to bishops of prominent sees. Concern to keep the churches faithful to the will of order that the hearers in their

threstened when churches are isolated by division.

14. The Church's purpose in its proclamation is to lead mankind

to accept God's saving work in Christ, an acceptance which not only requires intellectual assent but also demands the response of only requires intellectual assent but also demands the response of the whole person. In order to clarify and transmit what it believed and to build up and safeguard the Christian life, the Church has found the formulation of creeds, conciliar definitions, and other satements of belief indispensable. But these are always instrumental to the truth which they are intended to convey.

15. The Church's life and work are shaped by its historical origins, by its subsequent experience, and by its endeavour to make the relevance of the gospel plain to every generation. Through reflection upon the word, through the proclamation of the gospel, through baptism, through worship, especially the eucharist, the people of God are moved to the living remembrance of Jesus Christ and of the experience and witness of the apostolic community. This remembrance supports and guides them in their search for language which will effectively communicate the meaning of the gospel.

All generations and cultures must be helped to understand that the good news of salvation is also for them. It is not enough for the

situation may understand and respond to them. All such restatement must be consonant with the apostolic witness recorded in the Scriptures; for in this witness the preaching and teaching of ministers, and statements of local and universal councils, have to find their ground and consistency. Although these cistifications are conditioned by the circumstances which prompted them, some of their perceptions may be of lasting value. In this process the Church itself may come to see more clearly the implications of the gospel. This is why the Church has endorsed certain formulas as authentic expressions of its witness, whose significance transcends the setting in which they were first formulated. This is not to claim that these formulas are the only possible, or even the most exact, way of expressing the faith, or that they can never be improved. Even when a doctrinal definition is regarded by the Christian community as part of its permanent teaching, this does not exclude subsequent restatement. Although the categories of thought and the mode of expression may be superseded, restatement. Although the categories of thought and the mode of expression may be superseded, restatement. Although the categories of thought and the mode of expression of a council is making such a decision on so momentous a matter implies an assurance that the Lord himself is present when his people assemble in his name (Matt 18.20), and that a commit may say, "it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us "(Acts in people assemble in his name (Matt 18.20), and that a commit may say, "it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us "(Acts in people assemble in his name (Matt 18.20), and that a commit may say, "it has seemed good to the recognition of conciliar mode of authority exercised in the matter of the canon has also been applied to questions of disciplines and of independent of the definitions and by the responsibility to their confirmation by the principal sees, and in partial per the principal sees, and in partial per the principal s chependence. This service of the Church's structure according to the Church's structure according to the mandate given by Christ and recognized by the community. This is yet unother form of unitority. This is yet unother form of unitority. This is yet unother form of unitority because they are all the content of the con

expression is sometimes used in one another. Communion with him petence to make declarations in rooted in the winness of the aposties and entrusted with the apostolic mission. Faithful to the apostolic mission to the communion of all the churches. maters of raid. In mission in-volves the whole people of God, among whom some may rediscover or perceive more clearly than others certain aspects of the saving truth. At times there result con-flict and debate. Customs, accepted positions, beliefs, formulations, positions, benefit, formulations, and practices, as well as innovations and reinterpretations, may be shown to be inadequate, mistaken, or even inconsistent with the gospel. When conflict endangers unity or threatens to

distort the gospel the Church must have effective means for resolving In both our traditions the appeal to Scripture, to the creeds, to the Fathers, and to the definitions of the councils of the early Church is regarded as basic and normative.\*

But the bishops have a special responsibility for promoting truth and discerning error, and the interaction of bishop and people in its exercise is a safeguard of Christian life and fidelity. The teaching of the faith and the ordering of life in the Christian community require a daily exercise of this responsibility; but there is no guarantee that those who Is no guarantee that those who have an everyday responsibility will—any more than other members—invariably be free from errors of judgment, will never tolerate abuses, and will never distort the truth. Yet, in Christian hope, we are confident that such failures cannot destroy the Church's ability to proclaim the gospel and to show forth the Christian life; for we believe that Christ will not desert his Church and that the Holy Spirit will lead it into all truth. That is why the Church, in spite of its failures, can be described as indefectible.

V CONCILIAR AND PRIMATIAL AUTHORITY AUTHORITY

19. In times of crists or when fundamental matters of faith are in question, the Church can make judgments, consonant with Scripture, which are authoritative. When the Church meets in ecumenical council its decisions or menical council its decisions or menical council its decisions on fundamental matters of faith exclude what is erroneous. Through the Holy Spirit the Church commits itself to these judgments, recognizing that, being faithful to Scripture and Consist-

ent with Tradition, they are by
the same Spirit protected from
error. They do not add to the
truth but, although not exhaustive,
they clarify the Church's understanding of it. In discharging this
responsibility bishops share in a
special gift of Christ to his
Church. Whatever further claridication or interpretation may be
propounded by the Church, the
truth expressed will always be confessed. This binding authority
does not belong to every conciliar
decree, but only to those which
formulate the central truths of
salvation. This authority is
ascribed in both our traditions to
decisious of the ecumenical councils of the first centuries.†
20. The bishops are collectively
responsible for defending and
interpreting the apostolic faith.
The primacy accorded to a bishop
implies that, after consulting his
fellow bishops, he may speak in
their name and express their
mind. The recognition of his position by the faithful creases an
expectation that on occasion he
will take an initiative in speaking
for the Church. Primatial statements are only one way by which
the Holy Spirit keeps the people
of God faithful to the truth of
the gospel.

21. If primacy is to be a gennine
expression of episcope it will
foster the koinonia by helping the
bishops in their task of apostolic
leadership both in their local
church and in the Church to listen
to one another, to grow in love
and unity, and to strive ingether
towards the fullness of Christian
iffe and witness; it respects and
promotes Christian freedom and
spontaneity; it does not seek uniformity where diversity is legitimate or centralize administration
to the detriment of local churches.

A primate exercises his ministry
not in isolation but in collegial
association with his brother
bishops. His intervention in the
affairs of a local church should
not be made in such a way as to
usup the responsibility of its
bishop.

22. Although primacy and
conciliancy are complementary
elements of episcope it has often
happened that one has been
emphasized at the expense of the

other, even to the point of serious imbalance. When churches have been separated from one another, this danger has been increased. The hoinonia of the churches requires that a proper balance be preserved between the two with the responsible participation of the whole people of God.

23. If God's will for the unity in love and fruth of the whole Christian community is to be fulfilled, this general pattern of the complementary primatial and conciliar aspects of episcope serving the kontonia of the churches needs to be realized at the universal level. The only see which makes any claim to universal primacy and which has exercised and still exercises such episcope is the see of Rome, the city where Peter and Paul died.

It seems appropriate that in any funtre union a universal primacy such as has been deacribed should be held by that see.

VI PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS
24. What we have written here
amounts to a consensus on
authority in the Church and, in
particular, on the basic principles
of primacy. This consensus is of
fundamental importance. While it

agreement. But if it were further implied that as long as a church is not in communion with the bishop of Rome it is regarded by the Roman Catholic Church as less than fully a church, a difficulty would remain: for some this difficulty would be removed by simple restoring communion, but simply restoring communion, but to others the implication would

simply restoring communion, but to others the implication would itself be an obstacle to entering into communion with Rome.

(c) Anglicans find grave difficulty in the affirmation that the pope can be infallible in his teaching. It must, however, be borne in mind that the doctrine of infallibility; it is hedged round by very rigorous conditions leid down at the First Vatican Council. These conditions preclude the idea that the pope is an inspired oracle communicating fresh revelation, or that he can speak independently of his fellow bishops and the Church, or on matters not concerning faith or morals. For the Roman Catholic Church the pope's dogmatic definitions, which, fulfilling the criteria of infallibility, are preserved from error, do no more but no less than express the mind of the Church on issues concerning the divine revelation. Even so, special difficulties are created by the recent Marian dogmas, because difficulties are created by the recent Marian dogmas, because Anglicans doubt the appropriateness, or even the possibility, of defining them as essential to the faith of believers.

(d) The claim that the pope possesses universal immediate

possesses universal immediate jurisdiction, the limits of which are not clearly specified, is a are not clearly specified, is a source of anxiety to Anglicans, who fear that the way is thus open to its illegitimate or uncontrolled use. Nevertheless, the First Vatican Council intended that the papel primacy should be exercised only to maintain and never to erode the structures of the local churches. The Roman Catholic Church is today seeking to replace the juridical outlook of the mine-teenth century by a more pastoral Church, 25. In spite of the difficulties just hallows that this

25, in spite or the amountes just mentioned, we believe that this Statement on Authority in the Church represents a significant convergence with far-reaching consequences. For a considerable period theologizus in our two traditions, without compromising their respective allegiances have their respective allegiances, have worked on common problems with the same methods. In the process they have come to see old prob-lems in new horizons and have experienced a theological con-vergence which has often taken

them by surprise.

In our three Agreed Striements we have endeavoured to get bewe have endeavoured to get be-bind the opposed and entrenched positions of past controversies. We have tried to reassess what are the real issues to be resolved. We have often deliberately avoided the real difficulties that provoked them but because the emotive associations of such language have often obscured the trath. For the future relations between our churches the doctrinal convergence which we have experienced offers hope that remaining difficulties can be resolved.

CONCLUSION 26. The Malta Report of 1963 envisaged the coming rogerher of the Roman Catholic Church and the Roman Catholic Church and the churches of the Anglican Communion in terms of "unity by stages". We have reached agreements on the doctrines of the Eucharist, Ministry, and, apart from the qualifications of para 24, Authority. Doctrinal agreements reached by theological commissions cannot, however, by themselves achieve the goal of Christian unity. Accordingly, we submit our Statements to our respective authorities Accordingly, we submit our State-ments to our respective anthorities to consider whether or not they are judged to express on these contral subjects a unity at the level of faith which not only justifies but requires action to bring about a closer sharing be-tween our two communions in life, worship, and mission.

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The Right Rev Nor W. A. Purdy, Staff
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Promoting Christian Unity. WORLD COUNCIL OF

Authority in the Church (SPCK, Holy Teinity Church, Marylebone Roed, London, NW1 4DU, and The Catholic Truth Society, 38-40 Eccleston Square, London, SW1V 1PD, 20p). "This is emphasized in the Angilcan tradition. Of the Lambeth Conferences of 1948 and 1966. It is not our library of the Lambeth Conferences of the Second Company of the Lambeth was continued to the laborate control which it has designated as ecumenical. The churches of the Angilcan Commandan have developed other forms of conciliarity, it is inhalibility. It is a tocholcal term which does not bear precisely the game meaning as the word deed in common tasts. It is the localized space in the control of the latest WEST EUROPE.

# solid basis for confronting them. It is when we more from these basis: principles to particular claims of papal primacy and, to its esercise that problems arise, the gravity of which will be variously judged: (a) Claims on behalf of the Roman see as commonly presented in the past have put a greater weight on the Petrine tests (Matt 16.18, 19; Luke 22.31, 32; John 21.15-77) than they are generally thought to be able to bear. However, many Roman Cattolic becomes many Roman Cattolic becomes of these texts in every respect. (b) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (c) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (d) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (e) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (b) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (c) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (d) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (e) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (e) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (f) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (g) The First Varican Council of these texts in every respect. (he counting the ministers of the EEC in ministers to a the text of the exercise that the exercise the exercise that the exercise

On the basis of figures supplied by Britain, Mr Finn Olav Gundelach, the EFC commissioner in charge of fisheries negotiations, told the ministers that the three East European countries, and in particular the Soviet Union, had fished at levels that would quickly exhaust their quotas.

It was agreed to send a com-munication to the three coun-tries, informing them of the be allowed to send into the

Speaking as chairman of the council of Ministers, Mr crosland, the Foreign Secretary, told a press conference after

Portugal a reduced level of fishing in Community waters during the first three months of this year, with a prospect of zone. Instead, the mi continued access thereafter if agreed to prolong by a

told a press conference after today's meeting that the Soviet Union, which was given a three-

and share-out of carch between EEC member within their collective 20

### Split appears in EEC over Portugal entry

From Our Own Correspondent Brussels, Jan 18

Signs of serious divisions within the European Community over how to respond to a possible Portuguese application for membership later this year appeared at a meeting here today of Foreign Ministers of the Nine. The meeting was the first to be held under the six-month presidency of Mr Crosland, the Foreign Secretary.

Previously, little considera-tion has been given to the political and economic implica-tions of enlarging the EEC further. Ministerial minds have seen wonderfully concentrated. decide what to say to Dr Soares, the Portuguese Prime Minister, when he tours Euro-pean capitals in February and

The main purpose of Dr Soares's mission will be to assess the likely response to a membership application. His visit will be taking place at a time when the EEC is already embroiled in difficult entry negotiations with Greece. In addition, there is the prospect that Spain's democratic cre-dentials could soon satisfy the requirements political for membership.

Three main arguments were

Ministers today. Mr Crosland, backed by his West German and Danish colleagues, empha-sized the sustenance which EEC membership would provide for a fledgling Portuguese democracy still threatened by totalitarian pressures

He said it was important uct to give the Portuguese the moression that they were being held at arm's length.

Mr Garret FitzGerald, the lated the view-strongly shared by the Dutch and the Belgians -- that the EEC's own decisionmaking institutions must be made more effective before new members are admitted.

Other countries expressed concern about the economic implications of Portuguese membership. Mr Renaet van Elslande, the Belgian Foreign Minister, suggested the EEC should seriously consider initi-ally offering Portugal "something between association and full membership In a separate discussion, the

Foreign Ministers agreed on the importance of maintaining pressure on Japan in the light of the unsatisfactory response so far to requests to reduce its trade surplus with the



From David Cross Brussels, Jan 18

ase year.

The European Comm: increasingly cordial re-with the Arab world wer ther strengthened in Br today with the signir trade, aid and coope pacts with Egypt, Jorda

Emphasizing the impo of the new agreements Crosland, the Foreign tary, said they encou both sides "to con together our efforts to between developed and de ing countries in keeping the hopes we all have more just and balanced mic order in the world". Mr Crosland, who was member governments, s the agreements in his capacity as acting chairm the EEC's Council of !

In equally euphoric veir. Zakaria Adbui Farah, Egyptian Minister for T and Development, said agreements reflected response by his country, tions of unity in Europe. On a less enthusiastic however, the Egyptian mir made it clear that he and Arab colleagues were still satisfied with the leve financial aid being offere the Community under terms of the agreements. Community's failure to offer of grants and loans to ing 270m units of acc (about £175m) over the four years or so had

The signing of today's as ments means that the munity has now negoti trade, aid and coopera links with all the Med ranean Arab countries ex Lebanon

holding up the conclusion

A similar pact with Isra-to be signed in Brussels month, as part of the ( munity's careful policy of Snowed-up tip for Swiss drivers near Lugano. ing to act even-handedly in Middle East.

Politics play minor role as first elected mayor of Portuguese city faces a daunting task

### Cash crisis holds back city reforms

From Richard Wigg

Setubal, Jan 18

Dr Ernesto Vitorino, a 41year-old schoolmaster, is one
of the new crop of Socialist
mayors who emerged from
Portugal's first democratic
municipal elections held last
month. After more than 40
years of authorizarian government, he faces grave problems
of financing the administration of Setubal, a leading industrial city.

Dr Vitorino said today that
the rates and other local taxes accelerated, uncomfolled uf
growth.

Setubal, which expan
advent of shipbuilding, assembly, and electrical ar
ance industries, has been he
hit by the prolonged econo
through while we talked and
he pleaded with Lisbon officials
for an emergency subsidy to
pay this month's wage bills.

Financial worries override

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crisis after the 1974 revolutance of the 90,000 population of
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emerged yesterday with another dramatic appeal for austerity and redoubled hard work from the Finance Minister. The Portuguese, he said, were living off what foreigners are diversely and the said of produced

But abst did not stop the local government workers' trade unions demonstrating only hours afterwards outside Parliament in Lisbon in protest over a 15 per cent wage increase and against an official proposal to increase the present 35-hour working week to between 40 and 45 hours 35-hour working week between 40 and 45 hours.

Financial worries override everything, even politics for Setubal's mayor. Under the

proportional representation system, he leads a nine-man muni-cipal executive of four Socialists, four representatives of the Communist Electoral Front, and one representative of the ex-treme left-wing "popular power groups" which backed Major Otelo Saraiva de Carvalho in last June's presidential election, making this industrial belt south of Lichan ble shift of Lisbon his chief stronghold.

not have piped water—and revival of the town's econor that local Communists is Socialists will unite over th

bly line worker nominated the Communists after the of the Caetano Government, phasized to me the party's terest in sound administ tions, copying the Italian Co. munist Party's approach to lo government. He admitted Communist administration h The city's needs are very similar to those of a developing been sorely harassed by extra country—housing, slum clearance, water supply and drainage, public transport and elections.

#### Jailbreak wave was planned minister claims

From Our Own Correspondent

Signor Francesco Cossiga, the Minister of the Interior, claimed today that detailed planning was behind many of Italy's recent jail escapes. He said that the state of public order, while grave, would not create fear among the public.

Magnahila prison warders Meanwhile, prison warders throughout the country have begun a protest against their working conditions by refusing to leave their posts when their shifts end.

### Bonn pledge to support Italian loan efforts From Our Own Correspondent little stronger politically the Bonn, Jan 18 left.

The West German Government managed to boost Italian morale considerably by the time Signor Andreotti, the Prime Minister, completed his official engagements in Bonn tonight Although Bonn no longer favours direct bilateral aid of

the kind given two years ago with a loan to Italy of DM5,000m (£1,250m) and pre-

He has a firm promise support from Herr Schmidt, the Chancellor, in his efforts raise a loan of \$550m (£311r from the International Montary Fund. Official sources aid that Herr Schmidt he committed Bons to supporting the application as a member to both the IMF and the Europea

Community.

Herr Schmidt said that F was "very encouraged" by th fers to help it in concert with Italian campaign to strengthe other nations, Signor Andreotti the economy, and welcomed the returns to Rome tomorrow a reduction of import controls.

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l, Jan 18 men temporarily sus-3 salvage operations in one harbour tonight

recovering more bodies imerican sailors and is who died in the bignarbour disaster in the of the port. porities there said that

re victims were found which brings the death 44. They fear the total go as high as 50, with at half dozen men still not ged for. The frogmen's

disaster happened early anday morning when a lavy launch, carrying 110 sailors and marines nieir Sixth Fleet ships hore leave, collided with hish freighter and cap Most of the survivors ng treated for injuries. ms of the collision were

men assigned to the helicopter carrier USS Guam and the landing ship USS Trenton.

The number of dead might have been even higher if it were not for the fact that the launch remained afloat, keel up, after the crash, and some the injured, wearing life jackets, floated and were able to breathe in the air pocket

under the hull. The bodies of those found by last night were flown to the Torrejon air base, near Mad-rid, to be flown back to the United States 10dev. In another accident in Spain, the Costa Brava Express train

caught fire in a tunnel near Saragossa today, and four of its nine carriages were completely destroyed. The 149 passengers and the crew walked to safety to the mouth of the tunnel. Firemen were unable to reach the blaze until it had done considerable damage, because there was no road

### Signed t police surround French court

### engeful mood at countrial dnapping trial

: Jan 18

trials in France have betalded by such a wave rror as that of M Patrick , aged 23, a commercial ler, charged with the kidag and murder of Philippe and, a boy of seven, opened today before the of Troyes. Throughout ngth and breadth of the ry, from ministers to the in the street, rose a call swift and exemplary unent, in the circums, the death penalty.

ing police investigations ory is said to have told lice: "I have nothing to ith this odious kidnap-The wretches who did it e death. I hope they are

y found out ".

ple throughout France, to television screens, folfor 19 days every turn tragedy. They witnessed earful anguish of the saced with the demand ransom of 800,000 francs: £80,000) they could not : £80,000) they could not begin to produce; the ied conversations with kidapper; the deliberate ity encouraged by the in the hope of persueduce cusprit that there was y out; and the martyrtip-off to identify some unt relic belonging to his

Le Figaro wrote: Everylentified himself with jus-ed with revenge, so pow-and overwhelming was meentrated impact of the -a subject for medi-itself.

le preparing the case, investigating magistrate, Jerard, received repeated and death threats. The al first chosen by the d refused to undertake lefence. Maître Robert set, a convinced advocate e death penalty, who I to defend him together he chairman of the Chau-Bar, was also attacked. inhabitants of Troyes ed the boy's funeral in



M Patrick Henry: Wide spread demand for the death

their thousands, and petitions calling for the death penalty were covered with signatures.

The defence objected to holding the trial in the town but the Cour de Cassation overruled them. To preclude the risk of demonstrations and ing magistrate travelled to Chaumont prison to interrogate M Henry, detained there with extraordinary precautions, as much to protect him from his fellow prisoners as against himself.

Equally extraordinary precautions were taken today for Belgrade last November with the trial. The Palace of Justice Mr Brezhnev, the Soviet party was cordoned off by riot police and crash barriers were put up raised in the discussions with as for a siege. In the courtroom, three quarters packed with reporters, only 25 carepublic had been admitted to

fill the rear. But after all the passion the town was calm as if to justify the decision of the supreme

The trial is due to last three days. M Henry has now con-fessed to the crime. "My deed horrifies me", he is reported to have said during its recon stitution by the police. But many points have still to be cleared up during the trial, and notably the question of premeditation, on which hangs the life of the man.

#### ywright who ng Nazis s after fall

jan 18.—Carl Zuck-the German-born play-The Captain of nick, ridiculed German rism, died in hospital at wiss town today, aged 80. ffered a fall at his home is Fee last month.

Zuckmayer left Germany 3 after the Nazis banned lays. He lived in the itzerland in 1958. Captain of Köpenick,

u in 1931, tells how a g on a military uniform. was based on the true of an unemployed Berlin who fooled Prussian offiinto obeying his orders. Cuckmayer increased his ation with The Devil's al, written in 1946.

#### Footballer shot dead in hoax jewel hold-up Rome, Jan 18.-Luciano Re

Cecconi, star striker of Lazio Roma, the Italian First Divi-sion football club, was shot dead here tonight by a jeweller who mistook him for a robber. The footballer and two friends entered the shop of Signor Bruno Tabacchini, aged 44, in the fashionable Flaminio district, saying jokingly: "This is an armed robbery."

Witnesses said Signor Tabacchini immediately drew a pistol from a drawer and fired several shots

Police said the player had pulled his coat collar up to partly cover his face so the jeweller, whom he knew, would not recognize him. They said Signor Tabacchini had his back to the door when the three walked in, and pulled the pistol out and fired even before seeing them.-Reuter and AP

### olice guard bus drivers fying Madrid strike

Our Correspondent d, Jan 18

cemen rode on the few ban buses operating here to protect spike-breaking

vate bus companies, began lorning and is scheduled st three days. It does ffect the municipal bus es in the city centre.

from possible violence.

many school children, lack of private buses : a day at home and at factories many workers to show up.

bus drivers are demandminimum of £51 a week, boous payments of about each in the year, 30 days' ly and retirement at 55. of the bus drivers who away from their jobs were the same ones who ccepted extra pay to work ikebreakers when drivers ladrid's municipal buses on strike last year.

Madrid newspapers carried a report saying that, according to official estimates, the cost of living had risen in Spain by nearly 20 per cent last year This compared with an official stoppage, by employees estimate of a rise of over 14 per cent in 1975.

In another development, a delegation of Basque mayors was expected to meet in Madrid today with the Deputy Prime Minister in charge of security and defence, Lieutenant-General Manuel Mellado, and the Interior Minister, Señor Rodolfo Martin Villa, to discuss Basque demands for a degree of autonomy and local control over

police forces. In an apparent effort to ease tension, the Interior Minister has issued instructions to Basque provincial governors to allow the use of the white and green Basque flag in unofficial acts, according to reports published here today.

### OVERSEAS.

### Plane crash kills the Premier of Yugoslavia

From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, Jan 18

en route to Sarajevo to address a meeting of the party Central Committee.

Mr Bijedic, a lawyer, became Prime Minister in 1971. As a prewar Communist, he joined the Tito partisans during the war, and later made his political career in his native Bosnia where he occupied important political posts since the war. He has travelled extensively and represented President Tito on numerous occasions abroad, including last year in China when he met Chairman Mao.

The President later goes on to Egypt and he is expected to

in both countries will be bilateral relations, particularly expanded trade and economic members,

newspaper Borba said in a commentary on the visit today that it was now high time for serious moves to settle the Middle East conflict.

putting Middle East problems on the agends of the Belgrade meeting next June, the followup to the 35-nation Helsinki conference on European security and cooperation in 1975. Arab diplomatic sources said that the President's talks in

Mr Dzemal Bijedic, the Yugoslav Prime Minister, was killed when his aircraft, a smail eight-seater jet, crashed in a snowstorm today. He was

His wife and three members of his staff were among the eight who died in the crash at Krasevo, west of Sarajevo. The Prime Minister left Bel-

grade this morning after attending an airport farewell for President Tito who was on his way to Libya. A rescue team in helicopters went to the scene but heavy snowstorm prevented them from landing. was only late in the afternoon that news came that there were no survivors.

Tripoli: President Tito arrived in Libya at the start of a four-day official visit, the news agency Arna reported. He was met at the airport by Colonel Gaddafi, chairman of Libya's Revolutionary Command Coun-cil and senior ministers.

urge both countries to seek a resumption of the Geneva Middle East peace conference as well as encouraging greater Arab unity in tackling conflicts in the area. During his time in Egypt, he will take several days rest in Aswan. Other topics for discussion

cooperation, and the activities the non-aligned movement of which all three states are The semi-official Yugoslav

President Tito is also likely to discuss the possibility of

officer, Evanghelos Mallios, by unknown assailants last month, and the disorders staged by right-wing extremists at his

funeral.

about this.

From Douglas Aiton Melbourne, Jan 18

morning.

At least 50 bodies were

feared still trapped late last

night in the wreckage of a

Sydney commuter train which

brought a road bridge on top

of it when it left the rails this

Thirty-six bodies had been

found, and police thought the

final disaster toll would be the

The disaster occurred at 8.14 am when the Mount Victoria-

Sydney Central morning express left the rails at Gran-ville, about 14 miles west of

Sydney. It was carrying com-muters from the outer Sydney

From Mario Modiano

Athens, Jan 18

minister foiled

worst in Australia's history.

the opposition for resisting de-mands for a wholesale purge in the police of sympathizers of the defunct dictatorship.

The murder of Mr Mallios A young man brandishing a knife lunged towards Mr George Stamatis, the Minister of Public Order, as he was leaving increased the mistrust between his ministry in central Athens this afternoon. He was caught in time by the Minister's escort and disarmed.

murderers, and is criticized by

The train, which had slowed to about 20 mph as it approached a slight bend, rammed into the northern sup-

ports of the concrete bridge.

The locomotive and the first two carriages bounced off the

rails and landed on their sides. The third and fourth carriages

were crushed when the north-ern half of the 60ft wide Bold

with its front wheels hanging over the edge of the bridge.

Late last night the southern section of the bridge was hang-

ing precariously from the road-

Street Bridge collapsed.

the Government and the security forces. This was probably the motive behind the assassin-Government today is to find the golden mean between the need

The man, who is now being questioned, identified himself as Mr Elias Thomaidis, aged 30, an agriculturist. He said he beto cleanse the police force of undemocratic elements and the longed to the extreme left, but concern to maintain its effec-Mr Stamatis is at the centre Opposition critics allege that

police junta overrules the Minister, and they point out that none of the police officers who misbehaved at the Mallios tuneral, or failed to protect Greek journalists when they President Sadat and Colonel the right wing for the failure right-wing extremists, has been of his services to find a single punished, transferred or even clue to the identity of the identified. were savagely beaten up by

### Slow start to S African boycott

By Our Foreign Staff

The protest campaign against South Africa, proposed, by the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, has received little support from trade unionists abroad.

Apart from a decision by rench postal workers to disrupt, communications with South Africa until Saturday, most West European and North American trade unions yesterday appeared to be ignoring the Correspondents of The Times

filed reports from the following cities vesterday: Brussels: A spokesman for the

ICFTU said that aport from France, affiliated postal unions in other West European and North American countries were working normally.

Washington, Jan 18

The Justice Department has

dropped charges against Mr Robert Mardian for his alleged

part in the Watergate cover-up.

He was Assistant Attorney

General under Mr John Mitchell

and moved with him to the

Committee to Re-Elect Presi-

He was one of the seven men

indicted for the cover-up and

was convicted two years ago. An appeals court reversed his

conviction last year, on the

ground that his involvement

was relatively unimportant and

that he should have been tried

The Watergate special prose-cutor finally decided that, at

this late stage, it was not worth

trying him again. Of the seven

dent Nixon (Creep) in 1972.

Case against Watergate

cover-up man dropped

Dockers in Belgian, Dutch. Australian and Canadian ports, were refusing to handle cargo to or from South African ports. In Italy, affiliated unions were declining to service aircraft destined for South Africa. Appeals to workers to boy-

the police have reservations

of a controversy after the murder of a cashiered police

The Minister is blamed by

cort South African goods have already been launched in Britain and Holland. Paris: The Force Ouvrière branch of the French postal workers has decided to the boycott of South Africa. The Force Ouvrière workers,

who represent about one-third of the unionized post office staff refuse to forward mail or handle telephone calls to South Africa, until the end of the week. They have also sent a telegram of protest to the South African Government against apartheid through its

to another charge and the Watergate charges against him were dropped. A second, Mr

Gordon Straughan, succeeded

in having his case separated and then the charges against

him were dropped on a techni-cality. A third, Mr Kenneth Parkinson, was acquitted.

The prosecutors are, there-

and a large number of people who pleaded guilty. The three are, admittedly, the most important, Mr John Mitchell, Mr H. R. Haldeman and Mr

Their appeals against their

convictions were rejected by

the appeals court and they have

now taken them to the Supreme

Court. Mr Ehrlichman is

already serving his sentence for

his part in another of the Nixon

John Ehrlichman.

indicted for the cover-up, Mr crimes, the Ellsberg burglary.

ers' unions, including those of the Communist-led CGT are not taking part in the boycott, because they are not affiliated because they a to the ICFTU.

Bonn: West German trade unionists have undertaken no action over the boycott because Union officials explained yesterday that interfering with the loading and unloading of ships could make the unions liable to pay any damages incurred.
The trade unions were sending protest letters, taking part

in demonstrations and informing workers and the general New York: A spokesman for the AFL-CIO, the main American union confederation, said yesterday that the group refused to take part in

#### Swapp march in defiance of Windhoek talks From Our Own Correspondent Charles Colson pleaded guilty

Windhoek, Jan 18.—Swapo (the South-West Africa People's Organization), the main nationalist movement in South African-ruled Namibia, staged a peaceful march through Windhoek today to publicize its demand for United Nationssupervised elections.

The demonstration came as a South African-sponsored consti-tutional conference—which Swapo has rejected—was due to reopen at the Turnhalle, Windhoek's old German gymnasium. About 50 Swapo militants gathered in front of the Turn-

halle before marching along the town's main thoroughfare, the Kaiserstrasse. Police followed at a distance but did not intervene. Africans

walking to work greeted the marchers with clenched fist salutes.—Agence France-Presse.

tique through the night.

Apart from the dead, 86 people, many seriously injured, are in nine Sydney hospitals.
At least 200 passengers escaped injury.

Dazed and bleeding survivors of the Granville disaster sit in an ambulance after their rescue from a carriage flattened by the falling bridge.

The scene at Granville has been horrific, with rescuers carting dead bodies, freeing the injured and in some cases carrying out amputations on

Four cars crossing the bridge at the time fell 30ft on to the tracks. A fifth braked Doctors and police gave hor-rifying accounts of the scene in the crushed carriages. "We can still see dozens of bodies all over the place", Sergeant Joe Beecroft, leading the police way and police were planning to dynamite it to prevent it toppling unexpectedly. Rescue workers drilled holes through rescue operation, reported. Artending were 41 ambu-lances, several belicopters, 250

concrete a yard thick to reach police, state emergency squads, victims. Giant floodlights were and dozens of doctors and set up to enable work to consightseers.
Rescuers are not yet sure that all survivors have been rescued and the death roll is

still mounting. Until the crash today the greatest single loss of life in an Australian disaster on land was when 95 were killed by an explosion in a coal mine at Mount Kembla, New South Wales, in 1902.

The worst peacetime sea disaster was the loss of 121 lives in the wreck of the Dun-bar off Sydney in 1857. Australia's previous worst train smash was in Melbourne in 1908, when 44 people were killed and 431 were injured when a train overshot signals

50 more dead feared trapped in crushed Sydney express when cyclone Tracy destroyed Darwin on Christmas morning,

> The Queen has sent a message expressing sympathy to the relatives of those killed and to the injured.
> Indian train crash: Twenty-

eight people died and 78 were injured today when a passenger train collided with another which was stationary near the Hindu holy city of Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh, Samachar news agency reported.

One of the trains was on its way to the world's bingest r. li-gious fair, the Kumbh Mela, but railway officials could not confirm immediately if the vic-

#### Knife attack on Greek | Author of Czechoslovak human rights plea dismissed from post at museum From Dan van der Vat apparatus. His open letter, sions of internal and interna-

Bonn, Jan 18

As the text of a second Czechoslovak human rights protest reached the West today, it became known that the author of the appeal for Western sup-port had been dismissed from his job without notice.

He is Dr Zdenek Mlynsr, who was secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party under the progressive leadership of Mr Dubcek in 1968. More recently he has been working as a natural sciences expert in the Prague National Museum.

He was summoned by the museum directorate late yesterday, after his open letter to democratic, socialist and communist governments and parties in the West had been given to Western news agency correspondents in Prague. He was leagues and dismissed on the

Dr Miynar is one of 242 demanding the restoration of carrying on. The substitute rights enshrined in the Czecho-would be named if necessary. slovak constitution and laws "The spokesmen of Charter but set aside by the state 77 gives thanks for the expres-

however, was a solo effort. tional solidarity. They (wish The new text which reached to) correct foreign commona number of leading news-taries in so far as the signa-papers, including The Times, tories are certainly not only

It discloses that the secret police struck many hours before the original manifesto was published in any Western news-paper. A car carrying three associates of Charter 77 to a post office, where they planned to send copies of the manifesto the Government and all the signatories, was stopped by policemen who seized the envelopes and arrested the occu-

proceedings.
The three spokesmen of Charter 77—Professor Jan Patocka, the philosopher, Mr Vaclay Hayel, the author, and Charter Dr Jiri Hajek, the former Foreign Minister — had people who signed the original appointed deputies to take over "Charter 77" manifesto if they were prevented from carrying on. The substitutes

of signatories so early in the

papers, including Ine protest intellectuals but 2150 workers against the reaction of the including citizens who were never exposed to repression to the first manion account of the events of 1968 and are involving themselves out of internal need. Cae should, therefore, describe Charter 77 not as a dissident group but as a citizens' action group", me second protest concludes.

Moscow: The Soviet chapter of Amnesty International today called on the signatories of the Helsinki declaration to press for the release of political pants. This explains how the prisoners in Eastern Europe.
authorities had a complete list Dr Valentin Turchin, the

Dr Valentin Turchin, the head of the chapter, told foreign correspondents on the telephone, that democratic rights were being ignored in zechoslovakia. Yugoslavia.

"Probably nowhere in the world is the repression of basic freedoms so intense and cynical as in Czechoslovakia", said the appeal, read by Dr-Turchin and signed by the nine members of the chapter.-

### Britain suggests way out of Rhodesia deadlock

Cape Town, Jan 18 Mr Ivor Richard, cheirman of the recessed Rhodesian settlement talks, arrived here tonight from Nairobi at the start of what is generally thought to be a final attempt by Britain to find a peaceful solution to the

crisis.

Emphasizing the importance that he attaches to the success of his mission, Mr Richard said on arrival that he was trying to prevent a carastrophe in South-"If there is not a peaceful settlement, the poten-tialities for the region are very Mr Richard is to have talks

with Mr Vorster, the Prime Minister, tomorrow afternoon during which he will try to gain South African support for new peace proposals that he and his team have been drawing up in Nairobi during the past six days. He explained that during his first tour around Southern Africa earlier this month he had merely been airing various ideas for a settlement. These had now been put into more concrete form. Mr Richard is to fly to Salisbury on Thursday and expects to spend several days there. In addition to outlining

his new proposals to Mr Smith, he also hopes to travel around the country and meet the While in Rhodesia, he will also have talks with Bishop Abel Muzorewa, leader of one

and Mr Joshua Nkomo, the leaders of the Patriotic Front,

by the African "frontline" states. This meeting will take place either in Lusaka or Maputo. It is believed that Mr Rich-

ard's new plan involves a direct British presence in an interim government which would rule Rhodesia during the transition to majority rule. Previously his proposals for a "neutral" British presence had been largely confined to a resident British commissioner who would play a balancing role. Under the new scheme, Britain would also play a key role in the maintenance of law and order and defence,

writes : Britain is sending a new paper to all the parties concerned in the Rhodesia negotiations, setting out the British proposals on setting up an interim govern-ment. This is not a "new initia-tive", the Foreiga Office em-phasized vesterday, but a resume of the ideas that Mr Ivor Richard has been discussing in the first part of his African shuttle,

Our Diplomatic Correspondent

Michael Knipe writes from Salisbury: Bishop Abel Muzorewa disclosed today that he had appealed personally for clemency for the eight Africans executed on Monday after being found guilty of urban terrorism. They were all mem-bers of the bishop's African nationalist faction. Bishop Muzorewa said he had

made approaches to the Govof the nationalist groups at the ernment and received a reply Geneva talks. Later he will saying his anneal would be again meet Mr Robert Mugabe considered. "To our utter dismay, the next thing we heard was the statement today that whose guerrilla organization is the eight men had been now being backed exclusively executed."

#### Riot police fire teargas into Cairo protesters Continued from page 1

But after a few steps he turned round and marched quickly Then the mob suddenly started running towards Libera-

tion Square as squads of riot police charged down the road outside the Assembly, Tear gas cartridges hissed

and spluttered into the crowd as it surged into the square, already crowded with more than 3,000 other demonstrators. For a few minutes it seemed as though the fighting would stop and the students, some carrying clubs, walked over to the riot police and talked to them. Then a police bus careered into the square, smashed into a hijacked trolleybus and almost hit a student. Within seconds, the youths nearest the police were throw-

ing broken paving stones at The police fired more than 30 teargas canisters at the mob and as darkness fell the cartridges could be seen snaking like fireworks in the sky.

By 8 pm, police had driven more than 3,000 people into July 26 Street-named after the date of Nasser's coup-and the roads were littered with glass, stones and wrecked city buses. Later traffic in most parts of the capital was back to normal. although all public transport was halted.

Cairo, Jan 18 .- The Government is prepared to reconsider the price increases, the Middle East News Agency reported quoting Mr Fuad Mohieddin, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs. — Agence France-Presse.

### Carter son was caught in

separately.

marijuana raid Washington, Jan 18.—Mr Jack Carter, aged 29, the eldest son of President-elect limity Carter, was discharged from the US Navy in 1970 after being caught smoking marijuana with 54 classmates at an Idaho training school a Navy spokesman He was commercing on a

report by Mr Jack Anderson, a newspaper columnist. The President-elect favours repealing laws against having small amounts of marijuana but increasing penalties for self-

### Ice age Washington braces itself to give President warm welcome Washington, Jan 18

It was 16 degrees in Washington at noon today (Fahrenheit- America knows not Celsius) and the snow has now frozen so solidly that it barely cracks when you walk on it. There has been no precipitation, as the weather service here put it, for five days and the piled-up snow and ice along the sides of the roads is, therefore, a dirty grey and most unappeal-This is all of more than

passing interest, because Mr Jimmy Carter will be inaugur-

ated President here on Thurs-

day and large crowds will be

out to watch and even larger in strategic sites along and near crowds will gather in various public places during the evening, ladies with low-cut dresses dinner jackets of various augural procession will travel. shades. The weather forecast for

Thursday is fair and sunny and perhaps even with temperatures above freezing, but who knows what surprises may come down from Canada. The first serious snow, which as usual brought the city and government to a standstill, was quite unexpected. Now they have nearly run out of salt and sand to put on the The last supplies are stored

Pennsylvania Avenue, the rather shabby street running from the Capitol to the White and frozen toes and the men in House, along which the in-

> been made by police, municipal authorities and the secret service to cope with any snow that should fall on Thursday. Secret service agents will follow the selfless tradition of their calling, and if any snowflake menaces the President, they will wrestle it to the ground. Police are ready with brooms and snow ploughs to take the snow into custody and there are half a dozen "warm-up.places" to re-

have ventured out with an inadequate supply of ski-jackets and mittens. In the good old days (before

suscitate any spectators who

the new deal) inaugurals were Elaborate arrangements have in March, when the weather was better. usually General William Henry Harrison, elected President in 1840 at the age of 68, rode on a horse to his inaugural through a storm. He died 31 days later of pneumonia.

Mr Carter will watch the procession from a beated reviewing and he should be all right. After all, it is just as cold now in his

New York: Americans are shivering in one of their coldest winters for many years. Record low temperatures are being registered from New York to the Middle West, schools have had to close, factories have shut, and ice is blocking the Great Lakes and the rivers. In Florida, growers of oranges, lemons and grapefruit

Peter Strafford writes from

are keeping fires burning round their fruit groves in an attempt to prevent the temperature from dropping too far. In New York, yesterday's

temperature dropped to minus 1° the coldest in 108

efioris

From Peter Hazelhurst
Tokyo, Jan 18
The Royal Navy support vessel, HMS Lyness, which is due to sail to the Far East and sapan next month to promote British arms sales, is likely to be barred from entering Tokyo harbour by Mr Ryokichi Minobe, the city's governor, a zealous pacifist.

Mr Minobe is expected for-

Mr Minobe is expected for-mally to ban the floating exhi-bition because militant left-wing students, who oppose a policy of rearmament in Japan, might stage violent demonstrations against the British vessel.

Government officials suggested today that Mr Minoba will transmit a statement to the Japanese Foreign Office later this week rejecting permission for the vessel to enter harbour. Under an ambitious plan to promote the sales of British arms in Japan as a means of redressing the imbalances in trade between the two countries, the Lyness is due to anchor off Tokyo at the end of March. During the proposed seven-day exhibition, Japanese defence experts were to he defence experts were to be invited on board the 12,359-ton air support ship to inspect a large display of British weapons, including 105mm light guns, armoured vehicles, ground-to-air missiles, a ground monitoring radar system, field artillery computers, 51mm mortars, patrol boats and heli-copters. The ship's crew had also hoped to give a display of erms on shore.

shock to British diplomats. A spokesman for the British Embassy said: "We confirm the reports but we have not received an official reply yet. If they prove correct it is very disappointing."

It is possible that the Lyness might seek permission to stage the exhibition elsewhere off the language coast, but Western

Japanese coast, but Western diplomats pointed out that the governors of other city-ports
would probably follow Mr
Minobe's lead.

A spokesman for the Tokyo
metropolitan administration
said today that the governor
was expected to turn down the

British request in accordance with his policy of expelling everything smelling of gunpowder from the capital."

An American diplomat, a veteran in negotiating arms deals with Jean described the

deals with Japan, described the British plan as "a bungle". Re said: "Mr Minobe's reactions were predictable. Britain's plan was not. You cannot sell arms in Japan this way. I believed that the United Kingdom was still a past master of diplomacy. a very sensitive issue. Negotia-tions and offers must be dis-creet, otherwise the Govern-ment is confronted with demonstrations. I am amazed."
Britain's last big arms sale to
Japan was concluded almost two years ago when the Japanese Defence Agency pur-

chased British tank barrels to the value of £5m.

### Canadian forces to be strengthened

From John Best Ottawa, Jan 18

A recompment programme, which is expected to cost several for the Canadian armed forces.

It will be the biggest programme of its kind ever undertaken in peacetime.

In addition to new equipsircraft and ships, plans have been made to add between 4,000 and 5,000 men to the strength of the regular armed forces. This would reverse a downward trend that began when Mr Trudeau took office as Prime Minister nearly nine years ago. At that time the regulars numbered just under

100,000. Now, it is 78,000. The Government, which had been under constant attack from defence groups and others concerned about the rundown of Canada's military strength, agreed last year to give the Defence Department a 12 per cent real increase in funds for capital spending every year for five

nev, the Soviet party leader,

urged President-elect Carter

today to give priority to attain-

ing a new Soviet-American

The Soviet Union was ready to cooperate with the Carter Administration to achieve a

new advance in Soviet-American

But, above all, preparations

would have to be completed for a new strategic arms limitation

(Salt) pact on the basis of the Soviet-American understanding

reached in Vladivostok in 1974, he told a meeting in Tula.

reached, the United States and the Soviet Union would begin

to develop a new generation of atomic weapons which would be

pact has been delayed by differences over whether it should cover the Soviet back-fire bomber and the American

Gun found next

Moscow, Jan 18.—Yuri Solo-viev, lead male dancer of the

Kirov Ballet, who was found dead at his country house near Leningrad, had a bullet in his head, according to reports in

Leningrad. A gun was found

Soloviev, aged 36, held the title of People's Artist of the Soviet Union, From artistic and

diplomatic circles in Leningrad it appears Soloviev's body was found at his dacha outside the

city last week by another mem-ber of the Kirov, one of the world's best-known ballet com-

Tass, the official Soviet news

agency, today confirmed that the dancer had died, but gave no details.—Reuter.

to body of

Kirov dancer

agreement on limiting strategic first it was necessary to con-arms. "Conclusion of the solidate what had been agreed-agreement cannot be put off", This was all the more urgent

Mr Brezhnev quoted en He recalled that now American newspaper as saying rejected a Warsaw Pact pro-

in October.

get is to be increased to keep up with inflation. The effect, according to defence officials, will be to increase the capital programme—mostly of equipment purchases—from the pre-sent 11 per cent to 21 per cent es a proportion of the total defence programme. Mr Barnett Danson, the De-

The rest of the defence bud-

fence Minister, told a national conference of defence associations here at the weekend that the purchase is imminent of a new armoured car for the Army to replace the British-made Ferret.

At least 300 models of the vehicle chosen, the Swiss-designed Piranha, are to be built under licence in Canada at a cost of about \$200m (about £117m). As many as 400 more will be built later. Mr Danson said he will soon

announce his decision on fighter aircraft and naval replacements. The Government has already approved the purchase of a new patrol aircraft, as well as the German Leopard tank to replace the Centurions.

Mr Brezhnev said that the

Soviet Union was ready to go

beyond the terms of the provi-sional Vladivostok accord but

because the 1972 five-year interim Solt agreement expired

It was nonsense to allege that the Soviet Union was doing more to build up its military

potential than was necessary for defence, and was aiming for

Of Western reports that this was the case, Mr Brezhnev said: "We are bored by this

military superiority.



Jerry Lane Jurek: Last minute stay of execution.

### Enemies of executions to fight on From Peter Strafford New York, Jan 18

Yesterday's execution of Gary Gilmore, the convicted murderer who insisted on dying, has been greeted by protests from opponents of the death penalty in the United States. The National Council of Churches said it contributed to the "brutalization of our whole society" and a Roman Catholic conference official described it as "profoundly disturbing" But believers in capital pun-But believers in capital punishment are also a strong, though less vocal, group in American society. Few of them were offended by the scene in the Utah state prison and the New York Daily News spoke for them today when it commented that "Gilmore finally met the fate he so richly deserved".

The newspaper criticized the American Civil Liberties Union and others who tried to prevent and others who tried to prevent the execution, describing their appeals to the conscience of

society as misdirected. "It is obvious from the actions of legislatures that it will take than impassioned breast beating to convince people that capital punishment—hard and ugly as it is—is not a fitting atonement for crimes such as Gary Gilmore committed", it

No further executions are expected in the immediate future, although there are about 350 people under sentence of death across the country. A second one had been expected tomorrow in Huntsville, Texas, where Jerry Lane Jurek, aged 26, had been due to die in the electric chair for killing a 10-year-old child. But a last-minute stay was ordered last night by the Supreme Court while it examines the case further. A Staff Reporter writes: There was no intention on the part of either of the British tele-

vision news networks to show the execution of Mr Jucek, had spokesmen for both the BBC and Independent Television News said yesterday. It was to have been televised in the

Brezhnev offer on US arms deal have then and now about Suez, I have never heard one person impugn the motives of Lord Avon in the policy he pursued.

They were, as always, honourable and straightforward. He believed as passionately then as he had before the Second World War in the sanctiv of international ment on cutting forces in Cen-tral Europe and had no objections to discussing related ques-

obligations.
In one oblinary written about him it was said that Lord Ayon's qualities and character were of a different age.

tions at any level and wherever was suitable.
On the Warsaw Pact proposal, he said that Moscow hoped that those who determined policy in Western countries would take a reasonable approach to it.
The Soviet Union "will neve

take the path of aggression and will never raise a sword against other peoples". Mr Brezhnev hit back at Wes tern critics of the Soviet Union's performance in fulfill-ing the pledges it made in 1975 at Helsinki. He accused them of concentrating on individual elements of the European security conference declaration, with the aim of impeding positive processes started by the

Helsinki meeting.
Apparently referring to Western criticism of the Soviet record on human rights, Mr

the coincidence of his sixtieth year, as he was born in a former Year of the Snake (1917),

Another notability who was born in the Year of the Snake,

### treaty pledging its signatories never to be the first to use nuclear weapons. to develop a new generation of the statement of a some poople virtually impossible to monitor. Final agreement on a Salt made at the force reduction talks in Vienna. Essentially act has been delayed by talks in Vienna. Essentially to rules that are incompatible differences over whether it should cover the Soviet backfire bomber and the American the second of the statement of the west would like to say that this is a futile attempt. —Reuter. He also criticized Nato for

Chinese Zodiac bodes well for Hongkong Governor

Hongkong, Jan 18

Officials of the Chinese Communist Party in Hongkong to-day joined the general reaction of warm satisfaction at the ex-tension of Sir Murray Mac-Lehose's term as Governor for another year.

A senior executive of the Pcople's Daily claimed that the Chinese Embassy in London had been privately informed of the extension two weeks ago. Leading articles in today's Chinese Nationalist press similarly welcomed the news. Sir Murray's sixth year of office begins in November of the Year of the Snake in the Chinese Zodiac calendar. According to Chinese tradition,

born in the Year of the Snake, although two cycles earlier (1893), was the late Chairman Mao Tse-tung.

Some observers detect a credible affinity between some of Sir Murray's Snake traits and those of the Chairman, as defined by Chinese soothsayers: flexibility, patience, courage, camourflage, perserverance and survival; bold striking reaction when proteoting its young; dexwhen proteoting its young; dex-terity in avoiding god foiling an enemy from the rear; and "2 fundness for the night-time" (which implies a telent for quiet negotiations),

### Gang of Four top charts

Peking, Jan 18.—The latest hit record in China is a song aimed against Mao Tse-tung's widow entitled "Indignantly Condemn the Wang-Chang-Chiang-Yao Gang of Four". "Hail the Great Victory of the Crushing of the Anti-Party Clique and "Everyone by a Peking choral group, it attacks Mao's widow, Wiping Out of the Four Pests". Sung by a Peking choral group, it attacks Mao's widow. Chiang Ching, who was arrested

Chiang Ching, who was arrested the course of the rour rests. Two other songs topping the last October with three other top radical leaders. Wang Hungwen, Chang Chun-chiao and Yao Wen-yuan, and accused of trying to stage a coup.

The People's Daily, the party newspaper, said today that the Fighters of the Whole Armed Forces Salute You."—

Agence France-Presse.

21 infected by rabies boy

Katmandu, Jan 18.—A youth suffering from rables infected at least 21 people, including doctors, at Nepal's largest hos-pital here before he died this week.

The youth, aged 18, was admitted to the hospital at the weekend, three months after he was bitten by a doz. Doctors, it is alleged, failed to notice he was suffering from hydrophobia—fear of water—a classic symptom of rabies.—Agence France-Proces

# More councils told to submit comprehensive school plan House of Commons. Will she also make clear to the local authorities concerned that it them if they cannot comprehen a state of authorities and advise either au

Mrs. Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, has written to a further 26 local education authorities where further progress is required towards bringing about a fully comprehensive system for secondary educations.

Six local authorities are being required to submit within six months proposals for rearganzing all their remaining selective schools, 12 are being required to submit also within six mouths prosubmit also within six months proposals for reorganizing some parts
of their area where selective
schools remain, and eight are
being required to submit proposals, again within six months, in
respect of particular voluntary
schools where admission arrangements remain on a selective basis.
Mr John Ovenden (Gravesend,
Lab) had asked her what communications she had sent to local education authorities since the beginning
of December in connexion with her
powers under the Education Act. powers under the Education Act, 1976.

Those of us (he went on) who are interested in seeing comprehensive education become a reality throughout the country will welcome her action in imposing a suriot time limit.

Lord Avon's Duke of Edinburgh criticized as motives were never impugned House of Lords

House of Lords

The House was mourning the death
of a great statesman and a great
patriot, Lord Peart, Lord President
of the Council and Leader of the
House, said when ributes were
paid to the late Lord Avon.

His holding of the office of
Prime histister, he recalled, which
should have been the summit of his
career coincided with the decline
of his health and obscured the
great achievements of his years as
Foreign Secretary.

We should not (he said) let this
dim our memory of his years of
greatness or his striking contribution to the history of our country.
(Cheers.)

(Cheers.)

By his death they had lost the last surviving number of the War Cabinet. It was the final opportunity to puy personal tribute to those brave and farsighted men who supported Winston Churchill and led the country successfully through the war.

and sen the country successfully through the war.

It was not useful to speculate whether the military action against Egypt taken in opposition to American advice was the decision of a city was a specific and a second s of a sick man or out of character with his previous career or whether it was a determined response to aggression.

We admire the achievements of

We admire the achievements of his long career (he said) and his many virtues which symbolize much of what is best in British public life. (Cheers.)
Lord Carrington, Leader of the Opposition peers, said it was a sad occasion but at the same time one when they could be thankful for the many public services that were given and the example set in Lord Avon's long political career. Avon's long political career. His firm determination that the mistakes of 1914 were never going to be repeated were a guarantee that British foreign policy would be robust, sensible, and forward

that British foreign poncy would be robust, sensible, and forward looking.

I do not believe (he said), as some commentators have sug-gested, that Suez was the beginning of the decline of British influence. There were other reasons. But whatever the views that we may have then and now about Suez, I have then and now about Suez. !

in the sauctity of international obligations.

qualities and character were of a different age.

I wonder (he said). It will be a sad day for this country when good manners, courtesy, and kindness to your juniors—of whom I was proud to be one—is a thing of the past, and when courage, resolution, patriotism and public service are no longer needed. (Cheers.) Lord Byers, Leader of the Liberal peers, said Lord Avon was to many in the thirties an inspiration which they needed, just as were Winstom Churchill and Sir Archibald Sindair. Those who served with him in the House of Commons immediately after the war would remember not only his important contribution to national affairs but his unfailing courage and kindness. Whatever the verdict of history they would remember this courage and sasistence in putting country before party in crucial days.

oriote party in crucial days.

The Bishop of London said that Lord Avon resigned from the Government in 1938 because he was not prepared to compromise on so essential an issue. Some, irresponsibly he thought, had referred to the Suer incident as the last attempt at gunboat diplomacy.

the last attempt at gunboat diplomacy.

From Lord Avon's words and their inowledge of his personality they knew that for him such motives were far from the truth, Lord Avon had seen the nationolization of the Suez Canal as a challenge to legality as fingrant and as far reaching as Hitler's reoccupation of the Rhineland.

tion of the Rhineland.

Lord Selwyn-Lloyd said any thought that Lord Avon had made decisious at the time of Suez in a fit of impersonity, without careful feel of the situation, was quite untrue. There had been hours and hours of careful discussion and weighing of the pros and cons.—

He sched (he said) in the cause of peace and the national interest to preserve the rule of law and to try to see that international obligations were honoured. He held that belief to the end of his life.

It was quite untrue that Lord tices were bonoured. He held that belief to the end of his life.

It was quite untrue that Lord Avon was a man incapable of delegation, and he was not a difficult man to work for, although he could be irritable at times and perhaps studied foreign office telegrams for questions of style rather too carefully.

Lord Home of the Hirsel (C) said that as Foreign Secretary Lord Avon was not interested in party division. Quite the contrary, he tried to unite all parties.

Even if (he said) those who woise the story of those critical times continue to find against him—and I am by no means sure that they will—they will, if they are just, record that his actions spring from his complete conviction that the sanctity of international treaties freely entered into is the sole foundation for world peace.

Nothing can take away from the courage of the man, the principles of the man and I believe his life will be an inspiration to all those who have to try again and again to secure harmony of living between the notions of this world.

As a mark of raspect to Lord Avon's memory the House adjourned at 3.42 pm,

focal authorities to the limit, she will not hesitate th use her powers under the Education Act to enforce acceptance of comprehensive education and that she intends to give priority in the allocation of financial resources to comprehen-sive reorganization?

sive reorganization?

Mrs Williams (Hertford and Stevenage, Lab)—As the first circular on comprehensive schools was issued as long ago as 1965 there has been a good dead of time for local authorities to consider the matter. I resent the criticism that we are giving them little time to consider it. I have every reason to believe that local authorities will obey the law.

On building allocations, it has been made clear to local authorities that they will be made available for secondary schools only where there are arrangements for comprehensive reorganization to

comprehensive reorganization to which local authorities have made it clear they have committed them-

During questions to the Prime Minister, there were Conservative protests and some Labour cheers when Mr James Lamond (Oldnam, East, Lab) referred to what he called an "impuleant and ill advised speech by the Duke of Edinburgh on the deprived and underprivileged.

Mr Max Madden (Sowerby, Lab) had asked when the Prime Min-ister would next meet the TUC

General Council.

Mr Callaghan (Cardiff, South-East, Lab)—I expect to meet some of the leaders of the TUC when I take the chair at the meeting of the NEDC on February 2. Other meetings will be arranged as necessary.

Mr Madden—Despite yesterday's replacement rade sumbles is he call

welcome trade surplus, is he still dismayed at the level of importanto the United Kingdom? Will he tell the TUC and the directors of the CBI and the Director General of NEDC, all of whom have

eral of NEDC, all of whom have urged selective import controls, that he is prepared to consider this policy, together with a much tougher anti-dumping policy? Will he take the opportunity at the rumoured national industrial conference and when he visits major concerns throughout the country to urge action to substitute imports?

Mr Callaghan-I am concerned at

her Caliagnan—I am concerned at the level of imports. But if we take the last quarter over the previous quarter they increased 1 per cent and exports by 5 per cent, a welcome trend. I hope that despite the trends and fashions that people will buy British where-

ever they can. (Cheers).
On selective import controls,

On selective import controls, that is the Government's policy. There are cases which are constantly examined in the multifibre area and elsewhere. We have been examining ways and means of speeding up anti-dumping applications to ensure that they are decided as soon as possible. Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C)—Will he relithe TUC that many Post Office workers resent the TUC recommendation that they should take industrial action for political reasons? They object because they were not consulted by their

were not consulted by their unions and want to know why it is that the TUC seems to take these actions against South Africa and never against the dictatorships of the Soviet Union or eastern

Mr Callaghan-It is for the TUC

to ascertain the views of their members and not for me to tell

members and not for me to ten them about such matters. It is proper and right for the TUC to be concerned about the organiz-ation of trade unionists in South Africa as everywhere else. I hope the Opposition will not

News next week

Decisions about the size of the seacher training system which should be retained and proposals for further mergers, closure and other steps to provide the most effective system were to be amounteed next week. Mr Gordon Oakes, Minister of State for Education and Science, indicated.

Mr Gwllym Roberts (Cannock, Lab)—There is concern about this

Lab)—Lucre is concern about mis not only by teachers but by parents generally. Could he give some un-dertaking that irrespective of the birth rate, when these cuts have been completed there will be stabi-lity in teaching training? Would he consider the difficulties of girls who have been existed irre weeks.

who have been oriented into teaching and provide new opportunities for them?

Mr Oakes (Widnes, Lab)-On the

timing, I am aware of the rumours and considerable concern within colleges and the education world generally. That is why we have kept to the timetable. The amouncement will be made next week.

As for girls, who provide a considerable intake in teacher training, we are aware of this matter and are looking at other ways in which this valuable source of ability can be used possibly better for

the industrial regeneration of the

Mr John Evans (Newton, Lab)— The publication by the press of lists of colleges threatened with closure has had a damaging effect

on the morale of everyone. Would he ensure that negotiations and discussions are concluded as quickly as possible so that everyone connected with these colleges knows what their future is?

He said vandalism appeared to be worse in downtown areas of

dle neighbourhood responsibility.

Local authorities would be able

country.

on teacher

training cuts

of their own?

Mrs Williams—We are always willing to assist local authorities with article on their plans and if an authority submit an unsacisfactory plan but have the intention of reorganizing we are always willing to sit down and work out with them ways in which their plans might be achieved.

The great bulk of the 41 authorities I have not on this occasion written to are in that position. They intend to reorganize as soon as resources are available for their completion and I am persuaded of their good will.

Mr Norman St John-Stevas, chief

Mr Norman St John-Stevas, chief Opposition spokesman on educa-tion (Chelmsford, C)—What is the logic in seeking to dragoon nearly one third of local education authorities into going comprehensive and not giving them the resources with which to do so adequately?

but will join forces with those who wish to see labour in South Africa properly organized and enjoying human dignity.

enjoying human dignity.

Mr Dennis Canavan (West Stirlingshire, Lab)—While congratulating the trade unionists for organizing this boycott against South Africa because of apartheid, will he tell the professional footballers' union that mady of us in the labour and trade union movement will resist any pressure from the dictators within the Scotish Football Association who are trying to force players to play

trying to force players to play against their will in the Scotland versus Chile international match in a stadium in Santiago which has been desecrated by the tor-

ture and murder of many innocent

für Callaghan—I know it is not possible to keep the boundary between sport and politics entirely free where these issues are felt so deeply, but I do not expect to be discussing this with the TUC.

Mr Mark Carlisle (Runcorn, C)— When he next meets the TUC will be use his influence to stress to the General Council members that if, as I am sure, they believe in a parliamentary democracy rather than a system of union dicator-ship, they have a responsibility to stress to members that they

stress to members that they should accept the laws of this country rather than encouraging them to disobey them?

Mr Callaghan—The Opposition do not do industrial peace or their own prospects any good by constantly attacking the TUC on these

matters.

Though the chance may seem remote, the day may come when they will have to deal with them in a responsible manner. On law and order, the Government's policy is well known and will be appeared.

steadily sustained.

will not the only certain result of that policy be to have botched. Hirst Miller (Redbridge, Hirst Morth, Lab)—Will she tensure that in the case of local authorities like the one I represent, who appear to have difficulty in achieving a plan to make the whole of their system comprehensive, she to whom we have written are Will not the only certain result

'impudent and ill-advised'

for part of their area or have not submitted plans in respect of roluntary schools. Of the 41 authorities to which we have not written, these are authori-ties which have submitted schemes but, because resources have not yet become available, or in some cases because of arguments over legal matters concerning voluntary school trusts, there will be some delay before they can reorganize, but we have every reason to believe that they intend to do so. Mrs Williams circulated the follow-ing list of authorities to whom letters have been sent:

Six suthorities required to sub-

Berkshire—Slough; Cumbria—Kendal area, Devon—Flymouth and Torboay, Dorset—S/Eastern area (Poole, Bournemouth), East Sussex—Hastings.

mit proposals for reorganizing all their remaining selective secondary schools: Bolton, Bromley, Bury, Calderdale, Kent, Lincolnshire. Twelve authorities required to submit proposals for reorganizing some part of their area where selective schools remain:

attention to the deprived and underprivileged, which would be contrary to the whole spirit of the social contract forged with the

Mr Callaghan—I am not sore how far the Speaker's ruling went but there is no ministerial responsi-bility for speeches by the Duke of Edinburgh. I do not intend to

assume any.

van delivery men?

I do not think such speeches will have an impact, whoever they are made by, on the great understanding between the Government and trade union movement on some of these issues.

During later questions about the Prime Minister's engagements today:

Water and Vorkshire—Skips Ripon. Shropshire— Shrewsbury and Oswest wickshire—Rugby and Wirral—Bebbington and

Eight authorities req submit proposals for schools:

Barnet-Henrietta Bar Barnet—Henrietta Bar mingham—King 'Edwa schools: Aston Boys' ( Camphill Boys Grammar, Boys Grammar, Camph Grammar, Handsworth Gi-mar. Bishop Vesey's ( Sutton Coldfield. Handsw

Grammar.
Croydon—Archbishon
and St Andrews (CE).
Latymer. Hampshirs—(
College, Petersfield, an
Edward VI Southamptor.
shire—District 7—Huttr.
(VA) Grammar, and Dis
Lancaster Royal (VA) Gr Manchester—Fallowfield
School (CE VA) Gramm
Bishop Greer High Sch
VA (Secondary Modera,
hampton—Wolverhamptor.
mar School.

### Four main topics for

Eight regional confere educational issues are to t in February and March, I ley Williams, Secretary of tional policy.

New Williams—I have con the first round of disconding durational issues. The far expressed are being to

Proposals for further which will be formulated light of these discussions, be published in the for consultative document. Mr Spearing-Some of the debated after the Prime A initiative have been matter

Mr Timothy Renton (Mid Sussex, C)—Will the Prime Minister find time to stop and think about the extension of power of non-parliamentary bodies in Britain during the last week?

What does he think about the fact that the price of a loaf is now to be determined by the bread yan delivery men? Mr Callaghan—I pause often and think about the relationships between the various power structures in this country. It is a matter which if it is not treated wholly on a party basis should be of concern to us all. I do not intend today to have among my engagements anything to do with bread.

bread.

Mr Ian Wriggiesworth (Teesside, Thornaby, Lab)—Regarding question time last Thursday, does the Prime Minister regret the fact that the visit of Mr Bukovsky was used for such blatant party polical purposes and to foster the mistaken impression that many of us in the Labour movement are not strongly in favour of the campaign for further civil liberties in the Soviet Union?

What approaches were made by

What approaches were made by Mr Bukovsky for a meeting and what was the response of the Government towards those approaches?

steadily sustained.

Mr James Lamond (Oldbam, East. Lab)—Will talks with the TUC on extending the social contract be hindered by the impudent sud ill-advised speech of the Duke of Edinburgh—(Conservative interruptions), and some Labour cheers)—who appeared to be clambering on the band wagon... approaches?

Mr Callaghan—Last Thursday, when perhaps I was a little unnecessarily irked by the nature of the questions put to me, I overlooked the fact that an engagement had been made for Mr Bukovsky to be seen by a This will be the first occast. Mr Bukovsky to be seen by a Foreign Office minister. 'He put off that engagement and a second engagement was then made but he cancelled that because of ill

The Speaker (Mr George Thomas)

—It is the long established custom
of this House that we speak with
respect of members of the Royal. health.
On the general position, I recognize, as I hope all MPs do, the great pressure under which someone who is released from the atmosphere of the Soviet Union is subject to. Because of that it is highly undestrable that he should be used for party political purposes. Mr Skinner (Bolsover, Lab)-He has got no respect for workers. The Speaker—All I am asking for is courteous language. Mr Lamond-Will Mr Callaghan's

### from whatever source, which are is subject is highly impudent and ill-advised enough should be purposes. School leaving age will not be reduced

While she was Secretary of State for Education, Mrs Margaret Thatcher had played a vigorous part in raising the school leaving age and that made it all the more stronge that she should have appointed the front bench spokesman that she had on the subject, but perhaps it was a tribute to her respect for tree speech. Mrs Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, commented in assuring MPs that she had no in assuring MPs that she had no intention of lowering it to 14 as had been suggested by Mr Rhodes Boyson, an Opposition spokesman on education.

Mr Bryan Davies\_(Enfield, North, Lab) had 25ked: How many repre-sentations has she received urging her to reduce the school leaving age to 14 years? Mrs Williams—In the last four months of 1976 the department

months of 1976 the department received two letters urging that the leaving age he lowered to 14 and 29 letters seeking other variations in the leaving arrangements.

Opinion in favour is evidently far from overwhelming, and I have no plans to lower the statutory school leaving age. Indeed, its raising have been of great henefit to many boys and girls, especially in regions where only a small proportion stay on after the compulsory leaving age. leaving age.

leaving age.

Mr Davies—Does she draw a degree of consolation from such a degree of consolation from such a limited response to such an initiative by a front bench Opposition spokesman on education? Perhaps Mr Boyson could write more frequently himself. (Laughter.)

Would she recognize the British people have no wish to return to the depths of the nineteenth century it terms of educational provision for this country?

Mrs Williams—We are entitled to inquire how for the views of Mr Boyson represent the views of Mr Boyson represent the views of parents, which he so frequently claims they do, but I, in common with members of his own party, do not have to agree with them.

Mr Oukes—I deplore the wild statements made, particularly by one national newspaper in which lists of proposed closures were given before the matter had been considered by me and my fellow ministers at the department.

Bill on vandalism rejected Vandalism was costing the country hundreds of millions of pounds a year, Mr Anthony Steen (Liverpool, Wavertree, C) said when he unsuccessfully sought leave to bring in his Elimination of Vandalism (Urban Housing Areas) Bill, munity facilities.

were prepared to spend on repairing vandalism. If, as a result of
community efforts, this sum was
iess than anticipated the surplus
would be used to improve community facilities. Mr Stanley Thorne (Preston South, Lab), opposing the Bill, said coun-cil tenants should be more in-volved in the planning of new catates to produce the sort of hous-ing which would tend to diminish the likelihood of wandalism occur-rics. be worse in downtown areas of overcrowding where the incidence of social malaise was at its highest. The Bill would make provisions for the collective responsibility of council tenants so as to eliminate vandalism in urban housing areas. It would offer incentives to rekindle oterbourhood responsibility.

ring.
Leave to Introduce the Bill was refused by 151 votes to 143—majority against, eight.

Mr William van Straubensee (Wokingham, C)—None of her predecessors was more successful in securing the resources for raising the school leaving age, and none more dedicated to doing k, than Mrs Margaret Thatcher. Leader of the Opposition, and that whatever else one may say of the argument educationally, would Mrs Williams agree it is surely far too early, educationally, to make scrious suggestions for altering it yet at any rate?

yet at any rate?

Mrs Williams—There is no doubt that the 1966-70 Labour Government and Mrs Thatcher pursued with vigour the raising of the school leaving age and in supplying the resources for them. That the resources for them. That makes it all the more strange that Mrs Thatcher should have chosen the particular front bench spokesman on education that she hus. But that is a tribute, no doubt, to her respect for free speech. (Labour laughter.)

laughter.)

Mr Norman St John-Stevas, chief Opposidon spokesman on education (Chelmsford, C)—Surely Mrs Williams must know that the Conservative policy on raising the leaving age (Labour cries of "Which one?") is to keep the leaving age in principle at 16 but between 15 and 16 to make it more flexible in practice by allowing selected pupils to go om to colleges of further education or to take up apprenticeships?

Why is she attacking Mr Boyson when she is in the matter of standards, with the possible exception of the Prime Minuster, his most distinguished convert? Should she got have greater respect for her gure?

Mrs Williams—I thought on this

Mrs Williams—I thought on this issue Mr St John-Stevas and I had established a certain bipartisan policy with regard to Mr Boyson, but that is a matter for him to

decide.

With regard to the other point, I

am aware of Conservative policy, at least I thought I was, but it would require a change in the law.

#### Why food is free in hospital

Mr Nicholas Winterton (Maccles-field, C) asked the Secretary of Sme for Social Services is he had any plans to charge patients in NHS hospitals for tood or accom-

Mr Roland Moyle, Minister Mr Roland Moyle, Minister of State, said in a written reply: No. There would be serious difficulties in introducing such charges. Large numbers of patients would need to be exempted, and there would also be an overlap with existing arrangements for patients receiving social security benefits. Any income would be considerably reduced by the high administrative costs that would be involved.

Education and Science, se asked by Mr Nigel (Newham, South, Lab) which she had for assessing the to the views expressed in to consultation meetings c account in the preparatic agenda and background p discussion with a wide interests at eight region ferences in February and

have largely been resolved Are the issues she is going forward in her agenda to b the form of questions and v

largely resolved? Mrs Williams—The four areas of concern that ha identified and broadly agree the groups with which dready had preliminary sions, concern the curriculu cational standards and assee the training of teachers and the training of teachers are the training of teachers are tion for working life a: relationship with both si industry. These will be put form of questions to th

Mr Nigel Forman (Sutton, ( ton, C)— It is important the eight conferences should be than just a public relation cise. To reassure the House point, can she detail the which parental interest and tal concern in these matters taken fully into account? in England and Walts,

This will be the first occas
which there will have been
spread consultation with the
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to be a public relations exer
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happening in education.

Mr Rhodes Boyson, an Opp spokesman on education ( North, C)—There is a risk these conferences are only b tation that they will represe educational establishment has been in charge with have been static or declining

nave been static or declining grds. There must be a mebringing in parents who strong views.

We hope there will be a through, unlike upon the B report which has not yet debated in the House.

Mrs. Williams. Mrs Williams—The area of tation to the conferences go beyond the conventional ar-educational consultations. I have expected Mr Boyson, ir of the many speeches he has to welcome what the Gover are trying to do.
She said later that the firs ference is to be held in Yew upon Tyne on February 13.

#### Real growth in spending on education

Mrs Shirley Williams, Secreta State for Education and Sci said she was determined that cation should never carry than its fair share of public s; than its fair share of public s; ing cuts.

She had told Mr Peter I (Rother Valley, Lab) that it estimated that in the present I cial year expenditure on educ in England and Wales but in ing universities for Great Bt as a whole, will be about £625C 1976 survey prices. The figure 1971-72 at the same price base 55420m.

1971-72 at the same price base E5420m.
Mr Bardy—Despite the dedi-birth rate and the talk of sa cuts, education should get year and for the rest of the st ties rather greater provision support than five or six years providing lucal authorities tinue to act responsibly. Is confident that all of them vil 50?

so?

Mirs Williams—Growth betthe two years I cited was 13.3 cent in real terms, just under the increase in the total sc population at 8 per cent, so assumption is correct.

Mr Norman St John-Stevas, C Connection spekerman on ed Opposition spokesman on ed tick (Chelmeford, C)—If she is at 1978-79 she will find tha quarter of the proposed Gov ment spending cuts are going full on education.

While we agree on all sides education should take its fair 8 of the cuts with a present and the control of the cuts with a present and the cuts with a present and the cuts with the cuts with a present and the cuts with the cuts wi of the cuts, this is excessive, about from a Labour Government.

Mrs Williams—A substantial I portion of the cuts to come fail on the capital building I gramme, the need for which been much changed by the cha

Parliamentary notices House of Commons Today at 2.50: Scotland Bill, committee stage. House of Lords Today at 2.30. Short debate on fe depopulation and on one-per families. Debatable question on ind trial relations at British Leyland.

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### inister attacks Tory eve to exclude Wales m devolution Bill

e committee stage of the par retunds haved a pembroke, C) moved the series of 12 amendments to Wales from the provi-

for the amendment: the proposed for Wales was stally unsound and it ight that the House should opportunity to debate the of the Bill so far as it Wales in isolation, free of cent considerations which

cotland suggested that, because suggested that, because amounted a lim, the House was obliged Bill with which it might indemental disagreement. IMPs were to be deprived light—and some would say to—to form their own son the merits of a great onal issue.

sound. He could see no y they should be less their examination e nitimate choice must

oried forever in Wales.

who believed that the proposed was fundamenound had a duty to oppose it their energy.

Bill were to pass they are a second government with sufficient power to stally ineffective the intentional with insufficient power with economic health of to satisfy anyone who

red that the price for givs a greater say in its own build be that it would have say in the affairs of the mited Kingdom.

resources, but its cost prive the people of hospi-ools, and the social ser-ty could have otherwise

ds "no change"; and o words had landed the tire Party in trouble over . It was a lack of imagina-

proposals for Scotland. In to Wales they were not a psituational change.

Mr Sugh Jenkins (Wandsworth Puttasy, Lab) said Westminster retained more control that almost any other such centre in the world. The Bik was a step towards genting rid of some of the decision-making d Renton (Huntingdon-said the Bill's provisions ueprint for confusion and they did no service to the ople by asking them even

Morris, Secretary of State

(Aberavon, Lab) said he d the critics to say what d do. But they had only a sy, half-baked proposals, one to increase the f a non-elected advisory

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Lovernment's proposals epen and extend democ-vales and the Tories had cred by the Welsh propie. dd that they, who were of a referendum, should en the Government had

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ttion. We will ensure that propriate provision is before the House for cona. The form of it will be and whether it be by an amendment or new now being considered and brought before the House t can deal with the matter

and odd the difference of oach of the Tory Party and their approach on on Thursday.
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Football

when they were given the oppor-tunity which the amendment sought to deny, they would endorse the Government's propo-

sais.

Mr Emlyn Hoosen (Montgomery-shire, L) said that the Bill had many deficiencies but it was the only Bill they had. The amendment

only full they had, I de amenument would deny the people of Wales the serious debate in depth which was needed. The Opposition approach was an unacceptable pro-

Sir Raymond Gower (Barry, C'said people in Wales feared that the Bill could be the beginning of

the slippery slope, it was not that they did not want any kind of devolution; the fear was that within the Bill there was possibly the beginning of a movement to separate Wales from the rest of the United Kingdom

United Kingdom. Mr Nell Kinnock (Sedwelty, Lab)

asid that be was profoundly against the Bill but would vote against the Conservative amend-

If MPs threw out Wales before the referendum devolution would

continue to be a running sore in Wales. Devolution would sup-porate all over the Labour move-ment in Wales, It would continue

in distract the people of Wales from the main matters of concern

which were economic affairs and social deprivation.

For years to come the constitu-tionalists and the vested innerests in devolution would continue po

process which constituted the Government and which should reside in Scotland and Wates, But

he was against a refer-adum because experience had shown that on such constitutional matters

people voted conservatively for what they already had experience

Mr Gwynfor Evans (Carmarthen,

Pl Cymru) said what the Conse. va-tives were telling the Welsh people was that they could not be trusted

was hat they could not be trusted as Weish people to decide what was best for them. He did not think the Tories had ever denied they knew what was best for people in Wales.

The Conservatives now conceded that Wales was a nation. Their acceptance of Weish nationhood had been at a waren from the time.

had been an advance from the time not long ago when Wales for them was no more than a geographical

#### Rebuilding has long way to go at **Everton** The whole of Wales knew the Government's commitment and

SPORT.

Everton 1 Bolton Wanderers 1 Troubled Everton, managerless and looking for something on which to rebuild, are by no means sure of brightening their season by reaching the League Cup final. In their semi-final round, first leg tie, at Goodison Park last night, they came across the deter-mined second division opposition of Bolton Wanderers, who only of Bolton Wanderers, who only equalized two minutes from the end, but suggested enough in a second half that they dominated, to put doubt in Everton's minds. to put doubt in Everton's minds. Though only a little of Everton's concern for the present and future percolated through to the crowd of over 50.000, some of it came to light early in their play, notably in defence, where hestiancy endangered them without the seasonal excuse of a poor foothold. Conditions were good, at least for playing. The spectators buttoned down in the grip of a cutting, snow-threatening wind. For a time Everton's attacking warmed them, but the defenders too frequently brought uncertainty.

tainty.

Soveral times McKenzie dodged and swerved elusively in Bolton's penalty area. and he was the night's most eloquent performer. His close ball control was clearly superior to all-comers, but it was his beader that, deservedly because of the early flow of play, took Everton ahead after a little over half an hour. Goodlass put a in devolution would continue to prate about the need for devolution even though there was nor a single major deficiency in Welsh life and not a single major problem of the Welsh economy that was acing to be touched by devolution or any of the proposals in the Bill.

Without the opportunity for a referendum those who tried to connect the establishment of a miniover half an hour. Goodlass put a corner to a vacant spot in the penalty area and McKenzie rushed into it and headed low for what seemed an easily taken opportunity, but was only seen as such by this most enterprising player.

Bolton's contribution disappointed until they revived towards the end of the game. They effectively raided Everton's penalty area no more than four times in the first half and although Reid, Whatmore and Taylor were obviously players of ability, their chances were limited. The best that could be said of their overall referendum those who tried to connect the establishment of a miniParliament in Cardiff and the resolution of the chronic anguish of
Wales would continue to market
the lunary that by having a consunuional change they could meet
the political and economic crisis.
Mr Enoch Powell (South Down,
UUUC) said it was no good the
Government saying that the Bill
was being wrocked because the
movers of the amendment know
that if it were to be carried and it
was necessary to start again with a



McDonagh, the Bolton goalkeeper, makes a despairing attempt to reach McKenzie's header

play in the early stages was that they were composed under pres-sure and this was the key to their

second half recovery.

All the time McKenzie seemed aloof to the Cup-tie atmosphere as he coolly held the hall in his magnetic control and provided Latchford with some openings that were not seen as quickly as they were conceived. So Everton failed to capitalize on his ideas or the slower and more predictable, combined efforts of his colleagues. slower and more predictable, com-bined efforts of his colleagues. Bolton could make only staggered progress until well into the second half when, with the snow falling, they attacked more fluently and began to show something of the attractive football on which they have built such a good reputation this season. Ver it compand it would this season. Yet it seemed

Everton's defence had more worrying moments, but they were never really completely out of control. One high pass from Paul Jones dropped into the penalty area at the feet of Greaves, but he failed to bring it down and later the Bolton substitute, Waldron, gave Nicholson the chance to try a shot at an open far side of goal, but he put the ball a yard wide. In terms of really threatening attacks that, apart from the ing attacks that, apart from the equalking goal at the last gasp was the sum of their efforts, but their work counted for much

Whatmore and Taylor gained more position and over the final 10 minutes Everton were forced

When Lawson, the Everton goal

the edge of the penalty area; too far, according to the referee, who gave a free kick. Morgan, who had a fine game, tapped the ball to one side and Whatmore closed in to curl a shot through the group of defenders and past the offending and embarrasked

### When thousands missed a treat

that if it were to be carried and it was necessary to start again with a separate Bill for Wales, the Welsh Bill and possibly this Bill could nor be got strough both Houses in this session. That did not lie in the mouth of the Government. They were the people who controlled regularing time. Birmingham C 3 Arsenal 3
Arsenal took their unbeaten run
to 10 league matches at St Arsenal took their inheaten run to 10 league matches at 5t Andrews last night, but they had to stage a wonderful recovery to save a point in a game that was a fine advertisement for the Football League. The only pity was that the crowd was Birmingham's smallest league gate of the season. With Francis on one side and Hodon on the other, it promised to parliamentary time.

Everyone knew that genuine local government in Wales was going to be crusted and squashed if ever the provisions in this Bill came into force. What sort of administrative devolution, or at any rate democratic administrative devolution, was it which devolved to an elected body which had no son on the other, it promised to be worth watching and those who stayed away missed a treat. Leaddevolution, was it which devolved to an elected body which had no power of taxation?

If Wales (he said) is taken out of this Bill I assure We'sh members, Plaid Cymru or not, that they are losing nothing that would hist. They are losing only the opportunity to be involved in what will, I hope sooner than later, prove a contradictory and impossible legislative fiasco. Even 35 a Weishman I say "Out with Wiles". ing places in the first division are:

P W D L F A Pts Liverpool 24 14 5 5 40 22 33 Ipswich 21 13 6 2 41 19 32 Manchest'r C 21 9 10 2 28 16 28 Arsenal .22 10 7 5 41 33 27 Middlesbrgh 22 10 6 6 19 29 26 Arsenal made most of the early running, but for all their neat possession play they seldom threatened to score. Birmingham

Villa in their League Cup semi-final.

"Both sides can play attractive, attacking football and are capable of scoring plenty of goals," said Mr Sexton, obviously relishing the first leg at Loftus Road tonight. Villa's danger man is Andy Gray, the League's leading scorer with 22 goals this season. "Gray is obviously good in the air, but you could not wish to have two better men than Frank McLinteck and Dave Webb to contend with him in that department," said Mr

him in that department," said Mr

Sexton.

"They also have a problem in stopping Stan Bowles, Don-Girens, and Don Masson," he pointed out.
Rangers, the first third division club to win the League Cup when

Erian Clough's cup battlers hit Bristel Rovers with five goals after

the interval in their second thirdround FA Cup replay at Villa Park, Forest held a slender 1—0 half-time lead through a goal by Woodcock after Bowyer's shot had

woodcock after boyer's shot and struck the post.

Rovers, who had forced 1—I draws in two previous encounters, were swamped by a goal avalanche which started with a brilliant 20yd left-foot drive from Bowyer after clear work on the left room.

after clever work on the left wing by Robertson. Withe grabbed the third with a fine header and

Nottingham F 6

defenders seemed torn between the offside trap and a tackle. The second goal, also scored by Francis, followed a marvellous run down the right touchline-by Jones which left Nelson floundering.

The Arsensi

amends just before half time when he picked up a deft back heel by Hudson and centred right on to Macdonald's head. This goal was no less than the visitors deserved and one had to admire the way they continued to play through-out, accurate and patient football even when behind.

even when behind,
Within six minutes of the respart, Birmingham restored their two-goal margin. As Francis lohbed the ball over his head,
O'Leary put up his left hand and the referee, Mr Reynolds, had no hesitation in notinging to the hesitation in pointing to the penalty spot. Francis sent Rimmer the wrong way to complete his "treble" and take his season's looked far more dangerous on the break and it was no surprise when they scored twice in five minutes just after the half hour. First, Ross to Birmingham's rescue twice in misplaced a back heel and Emmanuel found Francis unmarked while three Arsenal the edge of the penalty area to seat.

High scoring forecast in Cup semi-final

Thomas had his first ouring last

night, for the reserves against Ipswich, since fracturing a cheek

Ipswich, since fracturing a cheek bone early list mouth.

Ron Saunders, who led Villa to their second League Cup triumph, against Norwich at Wembley two years ago, has included the young midfield player, Gordon Cowans, in his squad of 15, Cowans, who sampled League football for the first time against Rangers in September when he was substitute, was pulled our of Freeland's youth

was pulled out of England's youth squad yesterday as cover if Crop-ley is unfit.

Cropley and Gidman both trained yesterday and Mr Saunders is

defensive figure, Forest cominued to overrug the opposition and, after Woodcock had hit the woodwork, Anderson and O'Hare completed a nightmare defeat for Rovers. All this came after a promising first-half spell by Bristol when Stanforth shot just over after Williams had gone narrowly wide from 30 yards.

Lincoln 4 Walsall I Lincoln City, reduced to 10 fit men after the interval, over-

Rovers' Cup dream ends in nightmare

Dave Sexton, the Queen's Park they beat West Bromwich Albion Rangers manager, forecast two high-scoring clashes with Aston Villa in their League Cup semi-Tonenham on Japuary 11, with the final.

rob Macdonald. Hereabouts, both sides were playing well and the crowd were being entertained by a succession of fast intelligent moves, which could easily have led to a hatful of goals. But in a game in which the emphasis was on

ingham when Ross hit a screaming volley, but with 15 minutes to go Macdonald burst through after a free kick at the other end for a doubtful offside decision and it was all to play for once more With six minutes to go, Macdonald with six minutes to go, macconain was on the spot again to force home a Ross chip and we embarked on a thrilling final phase with both sides looking for the winner they deserved. That neither managed to get it was

Carcelly A. Rimmer: P. Rice, S. Nelson, T. Boss. D. Cleary, P. Simoson, A. Hudton, L. Brady, M. Macdonald, F. Stapeton, G. Armstron, Referre: T. H. C. Reynolds (Swanzes)

whether McEwan or Tong is named

Freeman and, although he played on until Lincoln were 4-0 up, he was badly handicapped.

#### 23,247 justice because they both deserved some reward for their efforts.

Lincoln (1) & Waishi Hubbard (2) Buckley Harding 5,223

Perisonosti (1) 2 Mansfield Mora 10,720 Miles Postponad York City & Cheste Presion North End y Cillingham.

Rouson, their midfield player, has recovered from a knee injury and is in the Blackpool team for tonight's re-arranged third round Cup replay at Derby.

The manager, Alian Brown, said: "The postponement of the game yesterday has enabled Rouson to have intensive treatment to clear up fluid on the knee."

So Blackpool will field the side which lost 1—0 last Saturday. The state of the ground will decide whether McEwan or Tong is named

Bobby Charlton and his brother, Jack, who helped England win the World Cup in 1966, will lead and play in an all-star team on a tour of the world's emerging foot-

# Yesterday's

and scorers League Cup, Semi-final round, first leg

PA Cup, Third Round

results

First division

Second division Notts County v Bur

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Wesidstone 2, Cholmisord City 4, First
division (South): Basingstok 4, Alyssbury 1, Thomas 2: Leytonstone 1,
Welbamstow Avenue 4: Souton United
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Welbamstow Avenue 4: Souton United
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Schools 1, Romford 0, Marsesone 2, Stevuing 1,
Schools MATCH: Lancing 2,
Stevuing 1,
MDCKFY: Women's match: Southoptimistic about their chances of playing in a full-strength side.

The postponement of Villa's game with Manchester City last Saturday gave the two players—Gidman has a knee injury and Cropley a groin strain—a few extra days in which to overcome their injuries.

Russon, their midfield player, has recovered from a knee injury.

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HOCKEY: Women's match: Southampion University 3. Southers 5.

Today's fixtures

Rick-off 7.30 unless stated.
LEAGUE CUP: Semi-final round (first leg): Queon's Park Hangers v Asion Villa.
FA CUP: Third round replay: Derby County of Blackpool.
FIRST DIVISION: Manchester United William PREMIER DIVISION: ASCOTTISM CUP: Second-hund replay: Sitrling Albion v Stranzaer.
FA TROPMY: First round. Aincistone v Chelienham, Grantham v Wimbledon v Chelienham: reflord v Sulford rangers. Roulays: Bancor City v Kiddernhader; Bishop Anckland v Qilton: Roulays: Bancor City v Kiddernhader; Bishop Anckland v Qilton: Ruggey University v Ray (2.20): Gloncesev v Army (7.0): Leicestor v Royal Navy (7.15): Lydney v Pontypridd (7.0): Resslyn Park v Wasga.
HOCKEY: Interesentative match: RAP Cambridge University v Ray Pontypridd (7.0): Resslyn Park v Wasga.

Charltons to lead tour by all-stars

# Portsmouth 2 Mansfield 2 Portsmouth staged a spicited comeback after being two goals down in 25 minutes to the promotion-seeking Mansfield Town. Moss opened the scoring with a fierce 25 yard drive in the fourth minute, and Miller added a second soon afterwards with a shot that went in off a post. Cross-country

### West justify the hopes of their supporters

Bristol R 0

By Joyce Whitehead

Hockey

East 2 After being a goal down in the first five minutes West went on to heat East at Canford School, near Wimborne, yesterday in the women's territorial buckey cham-pionship. It was West's first win in the series for three and a half seasons, and by half-time, with a lead of 2—1, they gave their sup-porters great hopes which they justified with three more goals in the second half the second half.

The match, played on the hard court pitch in the beautiful surroundings of the boys' public school, started at a fest school, started at a 12st pace. From the bully, East went into the attack and Celia Sinclair stored with a superb shot. East looked extremely confident but West recovered and were 5000 capable not only of helding the last and skillful East forwards but also of gring support to their also of giving support to their own attack. West played as a own attack. West played as a team and seldom left gaps. Janet Edwards's marking of Mrs Sin-clair near West's circle foiled many of East's attacks.

East's captain, Valerie Robson, was by far the most skilful player on the pitch. She was tireless in defence, and a constant source

of danger in attack but too often there was a wide gap between the

East defence and their forwards and the defence itself lacked Vanessa Kear, West's inside-left, Vanessa Kear, West's inside-left, scored twice before half-time. Both ware good goals, particularly the second which finished off a splendid passing movement started by the defence. Jane Walsh and Susau Slocombe, always active, scored a goal-each in the second half and both teams scored from negality strakes.

penalty strokes.

This match the first in the series of 10 set a high standard of play. Tomorrow's match be-tween North and South has been of play. Tomorrow's march between North and South has been cancelled at Leeds, but at the English selectors' request it may yet be played elsewhere. West play Midlands at Bourton-on-the-Water in the Cotswolds on Saturday (2.15), and the match West B v Midlands B has been arranged for Saturday morning at Charling Park School, in Cheltenham, starting at 11.15.

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Woodcock slipped in quickly afterwards to hit number four in the sixty-first minute.

Despite losing Lloyd, a dominant defensive figure, Forest continued freeman and, although he played

### Simmons gives up attempt at his third title Tony Simmons, champion for standing cross-country runners in

Leicester, on Saturday, because of poor form. Simmons has been troubled by

chest pains, following a heavy cold which he picked up on his return from Brazil, where he competed in the New Year's Eve Sao Paulo round-the-houses race.

"I was hoping for the hartrick, but there is no way I can win the race this time", said Simmons, one of Britain's out-

the past two years, has pulled out of the inter-counties cross-country champiouships, at Western Park, after winning the event for the past two years, it would be an anti-climax just to cruise round the course. You need to have two good warm-up races for an event of this standard, and finished 30th

of this standard, and finished 30th in Belgium on Sunday was not good enough preparation."

Simmons will now concentrate on regaining his top fitness in time to challenge for the English championship and the international championship, in which he was second last winter.

Motor racing

#### Policeman fails to recognize Hunt

He had only his Formula One Sao Panio, Jan 18.--James Hunt, of Britain, the world motor racing champion, almost spent last night behind bars when a policeman found him driving withour a licence. He was driving a car lent by the organizers of next Sunday's Brazilian Grand Prix, and his name emblazoned across the car. was

Drivers' Association membership card to show the policeman, who evidently knew nothing of the world champion. Hunt's dilemma was resolved at a local police station, where he was imme-diately recognized and offered apologies. Before leaving the Englishman signed autographs.— Agence France-Presse. Rugby Union

### Discrepancy between sentences blatant

By Peter West Rugby Correspondent

Geoffrey Wheel, the Swansea lock forward sent off by Norman Sanson for throwing a punch dur-ing the Wales-Ireland international ing the Wales-Ireland international last Saturday, will know tomorrow, when the Welsh union disciplinary committee consider his case, whether he will be available for his country's key game in Paris on February 5. The Irish No 4. William Duggan, who was sent off at the same time for retaliation, was given only a fortnight's suspension by a hastily convened meeting of the Irish union, and is eligible for selection against England in Dublin on the same day. The mildness of the sentence on Duggan must have raised eye-Duggan must have raised eye-brows, particularly among mem-bers of the Scottish Rugby Union, whose disciplinary committee re-cently banned one of their players for more than a season and a half admiredly for what looked on for more than a season and a nair—admiredly for what looked on television to be frightful violence—and the victim of it, Gordon Brown, for three months. Brown's reaction, in what seemed to be a fit of uncontrollable rage, was to hurl his assailant to the ground and then to put the boot in. I imagine that it was his last action, whatever sympathy may have been whatever sympathy may have been felt for him, that cost Brown so

dearly.

Brown arguably is the best allround lock in the home countries.

So the Scottish union's decision,
which effectively will have put
him out of the championship this
eeason—unless an appeal by his season—unless an appeal by his club, West of Scotland, for a crub, West of Scotland, for a reduction of the sentence is up-held—was not made out of self-interest. It cannot have been an easy one to take, but it concerned their determination to deal firmly with foul play, by whomsoever committed.

committed.

Just what Duggan did in Cardiff was not easy to detect on the evidence of television, but Wheel's punch on Stewart McKinney was plain for all, including the armchair spectators, to see, and Mr Sanson, an outstanding referee with a world-wide reputation, had no hesitation in dispatching both offenders. Since then he has bad

to endure criticism, publicly expressed by Irish and Welsh officials, not only about the sending off but even, in one instance, about his handling of the game overall. Referees deserve better support than this. More happily, Philip Bennett, the new Welsh captain, wisely and properly declined to comment on the inclclined to comment on the inci-

dents. That distinguished former Welsh international, Wilfred Wooller, who expresses his views robustly who expresses his views robustly (and, as a critic and spectator, is wholly entitled so to do in matters of this sort), has likened the proceedings to a vicar's garden party, as compared with what he recalls of the Irish games of yesteryear. None the less, there seems to be a blatant discrepancy between the senteoces imposed on Brown and Duegan, even after allowance is Duggan, even after allowance is made for the different circum-stances. At least Brown was minding his own (violent) business. It Jooked as if Duggan was fighting

It is not just Scotland who will be awaining with interest the Welsh union's verdict on Wheel. But he is fortunate in one respect, in that two previous suspensions (when playing for his club) occurred more than three years ago, and will not now be taken into account.
Whatever bappens, Wales seems

Whatever happens, Wales seems to have anxieties enough in the area of their back five. It seems unlikely that Trevor Evans, who dislocated a shoulder last Saturday, can be fit for the French game. No doubt Terry Cobner will return on a flank, and a place will be found for Derek Quinnell, who replaced Evans against Ireland. If Wheel is barred. Quincell could take over at lock. The restoration of Cobner will not, however, solve Welsh lineout problems at the tail, and the glant figure of Bastiat, the French No 8, casts its shadow before. Not to mention the activities of his heachmen on the fringes, Rives and Skrela. No country in the world can match this loose trio combination and Wales, without Mervyn Davies, seem less able to do no than most.

### McFarland shows class in rough and ready tie

By Gordon Allan
King's College 19
Guy's 4
King's College beat Guys's by five penalty goals and a try to a try in a rough and ready sort of Hospitals Cup rugby match at Honor Oak Park yesterday. Their opponents in the second round at Chisiehurst a week tomorrow will be Westminster, who beat them at the same stage last season.

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after a punch up, Challacombe, one of Guy's lock forwards, was carried off with a fractured cheek-bone, and Palmer took his place. Then, midway through the second half. Hagan, their other lock, was ordered off for punching. But when every allowance is made for these misfortunes, the fact remains that Guy's did not play really well enough to win.

King's did. Their forwards were King's did. Their forwards were quick and enthesiastic, McFariand not for the first time, showed himself to be a scrum half of legislating, Roberts-Harris, Ro

### Siberian outlook | Cambridge elect threatens cup

tie at Wakefield Wakefield, who reached the semi-final round last season, can see little hope of the first round John Player Cup-tie against Leicester being played at the third attempt on Saturday. A spokesman attempt on Saturday. A spokesman for the club, Robin Foster, said yesterday: "Our ground is frozen bard under a good four inches of snow and one end of the ground is solid ice where wahad a 24-hour thaw last week. "We are going ahead with "We are going ahead with arrangements but unless the weather in Yorkshire relents, I cannot honestly see any way the game will be played. It looks like Siberia." But although their own pitch is snow and ice bound. Wakefield's players got useful practice last week when they beat Manchester University 61—6 on a perfect surface on the other side of the Pennines.

### Hignell to his second captaincy

Dott scored for King's when

a Guy's pass flew accurately to Board, one of King's centres, who

was almost clear at the time in Guy's half. Finally, McLauchlan scored for Guy's after a break by Wilkinson, Guy's were left won-

dering whether they had been wise to play three matches in four days. But they admitted that king's were the better side.

Alastair Hignell, England's rugby full back, yesterday achieved adother milestone in his illustrious sporting career. The 21-year-cld Cambridge University double Blue has been appointed captain of the Cambridge XV for next season. He had already been chosen to lead the university cricket XI in 1977.

Hignell, an outstanding schools cricketer and rugby player, is believed to be the first to hold both captaincies at the same time, while at Depreyence College Hig.

While at Denstone College, Hig-nell, an RAF officer's sun, played for England schools cricket team and captained the England schools rugby team from scrum half. He has won six full international caps at rugby and last season demonstrated his cricket ability at county level with a century for Gloucestershire against the West Indians. He scored 1,140 runs last season at an average of 50.81.

### Middlesex game leads to many changes by clubs

Middlesex's county championhip semi-final match against
Warwickshire at Richmond has
esulted in wholesale team changes ship semi-final match against Warwickshire at Richmond has warwickshire at Kichmona and of the centre Croydon, also on resulted in wholesale team changes for London clubs on Saturday. London Scottish, who move up place of Riddle, who is unavailthe road to play London Weish at the road to play London Weish at the sacond row in for London clubs on Saturday.

London Scottish, who move up
the road to play London Welsh at
Old Deer Park, lose their captain
and centre Friell, who is also the
Middlesex captain, and their international halves Wilson and Lawnational halves Wilson and Law-son. On the credit side Donald Macdonald makes his debut as does Blyth at scrum-half. Steele and McBarg return from imer-

Harlequins, who play the RAF at Twickenham, also lose three players to the county, the wing Lambert, the scrum-half Rawle, what is a research and the flanter who is a reserve, and the flanker Alexander. Burroughs comes in for Lambert, Winship replaces Rawle and Sunton is in for Alexander. Barratt has still not recovered from a shoulder injury and Jackson continues to deputize. Burkneyed are playing Waterley. Richmond are playing Waterlov at 12,30 before the county match and will be without the locks Ralston and Hess. They are replaced by Humphreys and Slagter, who will be making his first team debut.

Ausden, a tight head prop, who has joined Saracens from Ful-lerians, makes his first appearance for them at Bath because Mc-Gregor is playing for Middlesex. Saracens paraded another Ful-

able. and Holden, Il! last week, comes into the second row in place of Morris.

Wasps, who play Sale, will lose their full back Richards and their hooker Bignell to Middlesex. But before then, they face Rosslyn Park at Rochampton tonight and take the opportunity to play Simmons against his former club. They also welcome back French, an England reserve last Saturday. Rosslyn Park will be without

Rosslyn Park will be without their new England centre, Kent, who cannot get away from hospital duties at Oxford. Treseder switches to the centre with B212s Roach, is unavailable and Smith deputizes. Scott is at No 8 as Ripley is preparing for his wed-ding in Austria on Saturday and Bignell replaces the flanker Mordell, who was concussed in training last week, and is resting be-

fore the county semi-final.

London Irish against the Army at Sunbury will be without Parfrey who is a Middlesex reserve and Jones, out for four weeks with a dislocated shoulder. Leper is on the wing in place of Parfrey and Webster comes in on the flank for Jones.

#### Waldron cannot spare the time

Ollie Waldron, a former Irish forward, retired yesterday from rugby only a few weaks after playing in an Irish trial. Waldron, aged 33, an Oxford Blue, has played three times for Ireland, twice in the second row and once as prop.

He has been playing for Frinity College for the past two seasons

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nationalism. It was repugnant to everything that belonged to demtime before the Bill is ocratic international socialism.

The Leader of the House had been a passionate instructor to all

he nor his colleagues themselves as having a asure of this sort. se. If the argument was ig they would agree to ant with good grace. Conservative Party should agine about the ridiculous they had regarding Wales. Id always been against Wales loop before their possible for an MP representing a Welsh constituency to question ministers because the matters would be dealt with in the Cardiff n Wales, long before their in to the Welsh Office.

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wyn Hughes (Anglesey, id that Mr Edwards's sold be summed up in the

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opie by asking mem even er this incomprehensible ch of overlapping and g responsibilities. It was immen to them to say in Here is a dog's dinner of n—eat it or do not touch please."

was a typical Tory They had everything to a democracy and loved a bodies because the

was no more than a geographical expression.

What they had never done was to concede that Wakes should have the power to act as a nation. That was the point at which they were slipping now. That was why they sought to wreck this Eall in relation to Wales.

They were prepared to pay lip service to Welsh nationhood but as far as they could they would do everything they could they would do everything they could to obstruct Wales from any power of choice, any power of initiative.

Rest, Lab) said that he would vote against the amendment. He would not support wrecking amendments. hold one, wish to deprive h of the right to express w. If there was no Bill Wates there could be no

against the amendments. The final say should be with the people of Wales. His attitude to a guillotine motion would depend on the single I the Leader of the gmilotine motion would be pend on the timing. If the Leader of the House was jumping the gun he would not support it, but it the Bill was in a morass he was likely to support such a proposal. Mr Alfred Evans (Caerphilly, Lab' Rees (Dover and Deal, says that the referendum are to be put to the it the earliest possible. Are we to take it that the int will be put down which said the Government got them-selves on to a hook by promising some kind of devolution too lightly and without the kind of deep examination that was needed.

Mr lan Grist (Cardiff, North, C)
said the onus was on the Government to show that the change

would bring about an improvement but they had falled even to try to do this. Assemblies would damage the faith of the people in democracy and further estrange them from representative institutions because these bodies would not answer their real needs, desires and demands.
Mr Leo Abse (Pontypool, Lab) said that the Bill was inimical to Wales, and a placatory gesture to

been a passionate instructor to all MPs on the sovereignty of Parlia-ment and insisted that they must protect at all costs the sovereignly of the Commons. No one had in-sisted more upon the supremacy of Parliament than Mr Foot.
Now they had a Bill which in practice would mean that for Welsa MPs half of their work Welsh. MPs half of their work would be taken away and banded over to assemblymen over a wide range of matters. It would not be possible for an MP representing a

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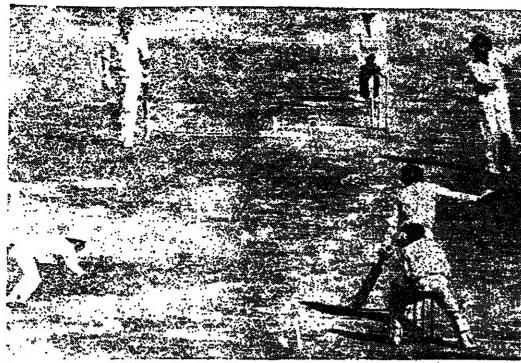
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The guardian of the Commons presented MPs with a proposition that they should acquiesce in having half their work taken away. d, separate army and navy rate economy which were in the views of the ist parties.

They were being reduced to political ennucis, Mr Foot should explain how he reconciled the importance and supremacy of the Commons with the fact that he was on that our proposals are come in Wales and were of Welsh MFs. strong for

**England says** 



Amarnath at short leg catches Lever off Chandrasekhar. Amiss is the other batsman.

### Underwood's wickets virtually clinch the Test series

Cricket Correspondent Madras, Jan 18

With wickets with both the last no balls of the Cov. Underwood nore or less clinched the third Test match and therefore the saries, for England here this even-ing. Needing 284 to win India were reduced suddenly to 45 for ree, which, with Vengsarkar un-kely to but again, is the equiva-nt of 45 for four. Except when Bedi, the Indian

Capitain, was dragging out his overs, we had a proper day's cricket again, which was a relief after Sunday's slow morch. England, in their second indings, declared at 185 for this after taking things a trille capable. It was

land, in their second inarings, declared at 183 for pine after taking things a trifle casually. It was the declaration of a side that sees liftile chance of defeat, though in fact they were glad enough of a wicket when Gavaskar, having batted for 90 minutes, was our with 20 minutes left.

Vengsarkar had had a bone broken in the back of a hand when hit by a hall from Willis, early in India's innings but Gavaskar and Amarnath were looking like keeping India's hopes of survival, evon of victory, alive until tomorrow when Underwood tegam his fourth over. It was off the fifth ball of this that Gavaskar was caught by Woolmer standing square to the wicker at short leg.

Ameriath and Viswanath got through to the last over entrusted to Underwood. I doubt whether there is anyone in the world, even the fastest of the fast bowders whom Greiz would rather have had bowling it for him. Underwood has never for a moment been mastered in this series. With his wonderful courrel he gives the batsmen no respite; his probing keeps them constantly on edge especially on as uppredictable a pitch as this. A pitch with bounce in it too, as Chandrasekhar had found to his advantage. It was the constant accounted now for Amarnath tource of surprise.

"The tour committee met this sfternoon and went through all the evidence placed before them

the evidence placed before them and came to the following conclusion: A. A piece of gause containing Vaseline was used by the bowler over his eyebrows; B. According to the reply given by the England captain (Tony Greig) to the umpires, it was apparently used to prevent sweat from trickling into the bowler's eyes; C. According to the lab reports, a certain extent of one side of the ball did contain Vaseline denosits and had more

Vaseline deposits and had more shine than the other." The statement concluded: "The

committee is anable to come to the conclusion as to whether the intentions of the bowler were deliberate or not, and the com-

Having started the day at 44 for naving started the day at 44 for one, England were 135 for six at lunch. This was India's best session since the first morning of the first Test match. Now as then Chandrasekhar had a lot to do with it. India rely for penetration upon Chandrasekhar and has speat west of the series tration upon Chandrasekbar and the has spent most of the series bowling too short. Today he found a fuller length and bowled a better line. With the odd ball lifting unite steeply he was back to his best which as England know well enough is formidable. At 54 he had Lever caught at short leg, at 53 Amiss was also caught there off hat and pad, at the same score Randall was well taken at the wicket trying to run Chandrasekhar down to third man; at 124 Brearley was bowled hooking at a long hop. In 12 overs this morning Chandrasekhar had taken four for 29 when he bowled

MCC might have got an apology

caught like Gavaskar at short leg possibly off the glove. Prasanna, coming in to protect one of the few remaining bassmen, fell at once, well caught at first slip by Brearley.

Greig timed his declaration to make sure of a tea interval. Ideally he would probably have preferred a few more runs but unless he had closed the innings by half past two tea would have had to be taken straightaway. That would have meant a long hot evening in the field. With seven hours 20 minutes left, India were relieved of the need to hurry to win but the hall was turning and the bounce was still uneven. Although Chandrasekhar and Prasanna had done them well today, India's batsmen had little reason to be confident. Only once in their last 11 innings against England have they made as many England have they made as many as 284.

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Chandrasekhar . 8
G. D. Willis, not out . 4
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Total (for 8 wint dec) . 125
FALL OF WICKETS: 1 — 19, 2 — 54, 13, 4 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 124, 6 — 135, 7 — 1

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of three-day matches. The Australians return home to play the centenary Test against England

in Melbourne, starting on Morch 12 and the team to four England later in the year will be named on March 17.

on March 17.

Pakistan next go to the Caribbean where they open their tour of West Indies, which includes five Tests, in St John's, Antigua,

pite our win I still counot see any apparent weaknesses in the Australian team. They are still a very good side in every department and will prove much too strong for England and New Zealand.

The Australian captain, Chappell, was even more impressed with Imran's bowling. "imran's effort here is the best performance I've ever seen by an opposition bowler on the Sydney cricket ground. It even rates shead of the efforts by England's John Snow."

Chappell, although disappointed.

From John Woodcock

Madras, Jan 18

What is known as the Indian Cricket Board's tour committee, comprising the Maharaja of Baroda (chairman), R. P. Mehra, president of the Indian Board of Control, M. A. Chidambaram, the board's reasurer, and S. K. Wankhade, by whose patronage the new stadium in Bombay was built, made the following statement here this evening on the John Lever affair:

"The tour committee met this affarnoon and went, through all the amidence wisched with Vaseline over affair in the carden and went, through all the amidence wisched with Vaseline over the cyes, was certainly an unticking tibing to do, but there

Qustin. 2—1—0—0.

PAKISTAN: First Innings. 360 (Asif Idea: 120. Javed Miandad 54. Haroon Rashid 57; M. H. N. Walker 4—112).

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Wash Barl. Jobal Qasin. did not bat.

FAIL OF WICKETS: 1—1, 2—22.

BOWLING: Lille. 4—0—24—2.

Walker, 5.2—1—6—0.—Reuter.

impregnated with Vaseline over the eyes was certainly an unticklog thing to do. but there was authors about it, and they were thrown away by the bowiers concerned because they were nothing but a nulsance.

Yet because of the way the statement is worded ("a certain extent of one side of the ball did contain Vaseline deposits and had more shins than the other . . the committee is unable to come to a conclusion as to whether the intentions of the bawler were deliberate or not "]. anyone who chooses to do so can read into it a doubt as to England's motives. Rather than accepting the statement as he did. Mr Leopardstown seven There are seven English-trained entries for the Erin Foods Chamentries for the Erai Foods Cham-pion Hurdle, to be run over two miles at Leopardstown on Febru-ary 19. They are Night Nurse, Birds Nest, Comedy of Errors, Strombolus, Peterhof. Rathcon-rath and The Bo-Weevil. when he bowled, the noises started up again.

To take the heat out of the thing the need was obvious either for an apology from Bedi or an unequivocal statement by the Indian board of the kind that I believe some of them had in mind.

Miss Lennox out Avril Lennox, the British gymnastics champion, has withdrawn from the Champious Cup at the Royal Albert Hall on Saturday because of an ankle injury. Her place is taken by Suzanne Dando.

# deliberate or not, and the committee decides to pass on all the information to the MCC." In reply- Ken Barrington, the MCC manager, thanked the Board of Control and Bishen Bedi, the Indian captain, for "accepting our explanation that this was not a direct infringement of the laws of the game." Skiing

### Mrs Moser sprains shoulder hurtling into deep snow

Schruns, Jan 18.—Bernadette Zurbriggen, of Switzerland, won the World Cup downhill race here today, her mak made easier by by the fact that the World Cup leader, Annemarie Moser (Austria), veered off the trail and hurtled into the new snow lining the course, she sprained her left shoulder. Evi Mittermailer (West a baiding oven shortly before the Germany) was second in 1min 23.85sec, 0.36sec behind the winner, and Marie-Thérèse Nadig, also of Switzerland, third in 1min 23.95sec.

It was the fifth downhill victory in Miss Zurbriggen's career, but her first this season. It also marked the first Swiss downhill victory since Doris de Agosdni won in Badgastein, Austria, last year. The course was 2,215 metres long, with a vertical drop of 536 also of Switzerland, third in Imin 23.95sec.

It was the fifth downhill victory in Mics Zurbrigger's carper, but her first his season. It also marked the first Swiss downhill who in Radgastein, Austria, last year. The course was 2,215 metres long, with a vertical drop of 536 metres.

The downhill had been schaduled for Monday, but there had been a clash among some of the skiders, their coaches, the organizers and the reoresentative of the Internation-19-Isling Federation (FIS), Erich Demeta, of larly, who accused the skiders of having staged a strike.

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Also Miss Mittermater, sister of Rosl., a double Olympic champion, was asked if she was trying to match

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As things stand now the Indians,

among others, will say that this indeed is a fishy business, which I am sure it is not. The slogans

## Instead. a question mark is left suspended over the good name of MCC, which in this case is undeserved.

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### Australia too | Small bait lures big names to Kempton

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Sydney, Jan 18.—Pakistan required only one hour to complete the humiliation of Austrialia in the third and final Test match here today. It was Pakistan's first Test win in Australia. The Australians were all out without adding to their overnight total of 180 for nine and this left Pakistan an easy target of 32.

They truised to an eight-wicker Racing Correspondent

Weather permitting, there promises to be some excellent tacing up and down the country on Saturday. The big money may be at Haydock Park but, for a relatively little outlay, Kempton Park have succeeded in attracting the big names. Against the £20,250 which is the added money at Haydock, Kempton are putting up only £6,550. Yet already it seems likely that visitors to the Sunbury course will certainly catch a glimpse of Pendil, April Seventh, Lanzarote, Tree Tangle, Artifice and Shelahnu, and they may well see Fort Devon, too. When you consider the money that is involved that is a very hig catch indeed.

Only if both April Seventh and target of 32.

They cruised to an eight-wicker victory, losing the wickets of Sadiq Mohammad and Zaheer Abbas, with two days and a half to spare. Pakistan, who have not beaten Austrelia for 20 years, levelled the series at one each, with one match drawn.

The all rounder Invan. Then

one match drawn.

The all-rounder Imran Khan fittingly captured the last Australian wicket today with his seventh ball. It gave him six wickets in each innings for match figures of 12 for 165. Majid Khan then scored all but six of Pakistan's winning total, including two impressive books off Lillee for a four and a six. Lillee, who took both Pakistan wickets, ended the three-match series with an impressive total of 21 wickets.

Both captains were quick to indeed.

Only if both April Seventh and Fort Devon run as well will the Fulwell Steeplechase tell us more about Pendil, and Ford Devon as well for that matter. Fulke Walwyn was prepared to let Fort Devon take Pendil on at Wincanton last week in a race that suited Pendil down to the ground. So with the north still in the grip of wintry weather it is quite posof wintry weather it is quite pos-sible that he will let him take pot luck on Saturday rather than wait for the William Hill Yorkshire Steeplechase at Doncaster a week sive total of 21 wickets.

Both captains were quick to praise the bowling of the 24-year-old Imran, who overcame a poor start in the series to finish with a total of 17 wickets for 287 runs from the last two Tests. Mushraq Mohammad, Pakistan's captain, said: "I rate Imran among the best fast bowlers in the world and just as fast as Dennis Lillee." Mushtaq added: "I tituk our performance here illustrated that we needed more time to accilimatize to Australian conditions. Despite our win I still cannot see any apparent weaknesses in the Australian team. They are still a later. Walwyn is understandably anxious to get another rnn into Fort Devon and for his plans not to be mucked about by delays and cancellations.

It will certainly be good to catch snother glimpse of Pendil because there are two schools of thought concerning his victorious comeback at kempton Park on December 28. In one camp there are those with reservations. They say that his performance was not as brilliant as it might have appeared on paper, because the favourite, Game Spirit, never ran a cace at all and was virtually tailed off before half way.

On top of that Spanish Tan, the horse Pendil eventually beat by five lengths, probably does not even get two and a half miles. At the same time, however, it is only the same time, however, it is only fair to point out that Pendil did a spectacular time when he won the Kenton Steeplechase. Against

the Kenton Steeplechase. Against average it was by far and away the fastest time of the day, which suggests that Pendil was not as rusty as Fred Winter feared after an absence of about two years.

The list of four-day acceptors for the Weybridge Novices' Steeplechase includes both Tree

Tangle and Lanzarote. Bob Turnell intends running Tree Tangle, who has already won the Black and White Whisky Gold Cup this season, even though the task of giving 10lb to Lanzarote looks daunting, especially when you realize that Kempton is Lanzarote's favourite course. The former champion hurdler has still never been beaten there. But if Tree Tangle runs and jumps as well as he did in his first three steeplechases this season he

But if Tree Tangle runs and jumps as well as he did in his first three steeplechases this season he will be a tough opponent for Lanzarote, even at these weights. His presence in the field will certainly tell us more about how Lanzarote is coming along in his new role.

The Motorway Handicap Hurdle should also serve a useful purpose in that it will enable Artifice, the ante-post favourite for the Schweppes Gold Trophy to have a rublic rehearsal without running the risk of picking up a penalty. Royal Epic, Tiepolino, The Dunce, Fisherman's Cot, Brief Chance and Lone Eagle are other likely Schweppes contenders who are also engaged in the same race at Kempton. All in all it promises to be an enlightening affair. I will be particularly keen to see Artifice in action because I endorse everything that Michael Seely wrote about him earlier this week. It was especially interesting to hear John Thorne say that Artifice has been trained all winter with the Schweppes in mind.

Another favourite due to parade at Kempton on Saturday is Shelahnu, whose current objective is the Walton Novices Hurdle which seems sure to be divided. Shelahnu was made favourite to win the Daily Express Triumph hurdle at Cheltenham in March only seconds after be had run away with a division of the Egham

It will certainly be good to catch hurdle at Cheltenham in March only seconds after be had run away with a division of the Egham Kovices Hurdle at Kempton on December 28. That was his first and only race over hurdles so far and he won by eight lengths. Comfortable though that margin was, I am still at a loss to know why Shelahnu is at a shorter price than Decent Fellow, who beat a much stronger field when he won the Figale Junior Hurdle at Chepstow just before Christmas. I wonder if the fact that Shelahnu is trained by Ryan Price could have anything to do with it? The wizard of Findon certainly seems capable of putting fear into the hearts of bookmakers.

STATE OF GOING (official); Plumpton: good to soft, Tomorrow: Lingfield Park: heavy, Newton Abbut: heavy.

### Hills continue to support races for two-year-olds

the efforts by England's John Snow."
Chappell, although disappointed, said that bearing in mind the loss of Thomson early in the series, the overall Australian performance had been good and a drawn series was a fair result. There could be some changes now in Australia's approach. "This loss is not the end of the world, but I think there will probably be alterations to our batting order in New Zealand next month and to our bowling as well."
The Australian team to tour New Zealand shortly will be the same as the one that played here, with the addition of the Victorian bowlers Bright and Hurst. The tour, which begins on January 30, includes two Tests and a number of three-day matches. By John Karter At a time when racing folk were beginning to suffer severe withbeginning to suffer severe with-drawal symptoms through a re-duced delly intake of meetings, William Hill, the bookmakers, provided some much needed relict yesterday. Cosseted in the almost indecent opulence of London's Dorchester Hotel, Sam Burns, the managing director, widely known for his boxing affiliations, autom-ced his firm's bestyweight pro-gramme of sponsorship for this year.

year.
Hills will contribute a total of 145,120 to 19 races at 11 race-courses in 1977. They are continu-ing to support the big four autumn races for two-year-olds—the Chev-eley Park, Middle Park and Dew-burst Stakes at Newmarket and the William Hill Funnity at Donwithin hill rutarry at Don-caster—and the important William Hall Sprint Championship (form-erly the Nunthorpe Stakes) at York, which Mr Burns informed us

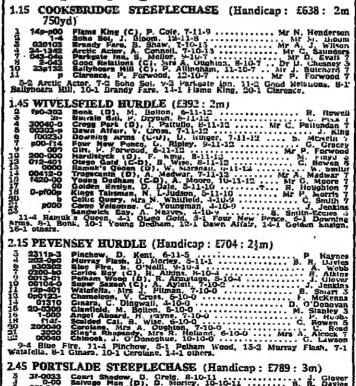
is the increased value of the William Hill Christmas Hurdle, run at Kempton Park on Boxing Day. The race will have £8,000 Day. The race will have £8,000 added money instead of the £4,000 in 1976—£5,000 of this being donated by Hills and the other £3.000 by United Racecourses.

The Kempton race will therefore present the connexions of the top hurdlers with a real alternative to the Irish Sweeps Hurdle, which is now a handicap and which has tended to overshadow all else in the hurdling sphere at this time of year. It will also fure some big names away from the less valuable New Year's Day Hurdle at Windsor. Last year the Christmas Hurdle turned into a fine race between Dramatist, Night Nurse and Birds Nest, and this year, with the extra money, it could be someand Birds Nest, and this year, with the extra money. It could be some-thing of a full-scale dress re-hearsal for the Champion Hurdle.

York, which Mr Burns informed us he was trying to have elevated to group one status.

Races new to the Hills list are the William Hill Yorkshire Steeple-chase at Doncaster (formerly the Great Yorkshire), with £6,000 added, and on the same day the William Hill Yorkshire Hurdle, mile hurdle, run at Cagnes-sur-will E3,000 added, which is seen as Mer yesterday. Owned by Mrs William Hill Yorkshire Hurdle, burner of whom were a Schweppes Gold Trophy trial. A phird addition is a handicap (£3,000) at Ascot on Heart Foundation Day.

### Plumpton programme



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than the emotionally laden understatements. It does however, introduce the other guests, incontestably led by the queenly Margaret Courtenay who fixes the audience with an eye like Ma's, to threaten and command even before she comes fully into

as The Browning Version, re-introduces Miss Bennett and Sir John as a mother-dominated frump and a bogus major, and is fully integrated into the life

of the hotel.

Among its many strokes of fine craftsmanship is the delayed revelation of the local newspaper, first pounced on by an aghast Sir John, then seized with a smile of triumph by Miss Courtenay who, without her spectacles, has to get another resident to read aloud the dreadful paragraph exposing the Major as a flasher (or its 1954 equivalent). It is at once a defeat for her, and a break-ing of the suspense for us.

The piece may go through the motions of balancing one moral response against another to placate all sections of the audience but there is no doubt of where its sympathies lie. The ending, with voice after voice breaking the chilly dining room silence to offer the outcast a friendly word on the cricketing outlook or the advisability of choosing the charlotte russe, resolves the piece in absolute and genuinely affecting obedience to the frigidly respectable environ-

It is also illuminating to watch the crisis defining the other characters, such as Ray-mond Huntley's old schoolmas-ter, and Delia Lindsay as a gush-ing young wife, revealed as a

Courtenay in embryo.

Sir John, flexing his fingers
to nerve himself for action, and retreating even farther into his dapper shell when the truth comes out, proves the continued power of understatement in the right hand. I only doubt whether a manageress as mat-ernally warm as Zena Walker would have been running such

The production endorses Michael Blakemore's talent for the precise articulation of well-



glass, silver and glassware.

The choice gives vivid illus-

tration of the course of abstract and surrealist ideas in British art of the 1930s and onwards,

in watercolours and gouaches by John Piper, Cecil Stephen-

son, Merlyn Evans in abstract yein, and in the surrealist

fancy of Eileen Agar and John

Armstrong. The variety of technical processes in modern

printmaking is demonstrated in works by Henry Moore, Roy

Lichtenstein, Eduardo Paolozzi

and others as far out in experi-

The selection, however, is

not one-sided-the modern stu-dent of nature in watercolour

is not overlooked, as in the work of Joan Hode, a pupil of Oskar Kokoschka. The past is not forgotten, as witness the miniatures of Lawrence Hilliard

and Oliver; an Italian view by the pupil of Richard Wilson,

Thomas Jones; the inventive illustrations of the Victorian

The liveliness of this stim-

ulating exhibition suggests that the "treasure" of the print

room should not be hidden treasure but could do with more frequent rediscovery on

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Richard Doyle.

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### Enduring qualities of Puvis

art exhibitions at the moment, of which the most important is undoubtedly that devoted to Puvis de Chavannes : organized jointly by the French National Museums and the National Gallery of Canada, it can be seen at the Grand Palais until February 14, and then in Ottawa from March 18 to May 1.

In his Introduction to the In his Introduction to the magnificent Catalogue (which costs 60 francs), Jacques Foucart pays homage to the artist's "lucid grandeur and exemplary dignity", and it is indeed these somewhat unfashionable but enduring qualities that come over so powerfully. Puvis does not disarm the cynic, he simply overwhelms him by the majestic monumentality of his images. Born in Lyon in 1824, Pierre Puvis de Chavannes was intended for an engineering career, but poor health led to his being sent at the age of 23 to Italy, whence he returned with the determination to become a painter. He studied with Henri Scheffer, but it was Theeders Cherfrian. Theodore Chassériau, a pupil of Ingres, who most influenced the young painter, and in his studio Puvis met the woman who was to inspire many of his finest works, the Princess Caninguaine,

His early works exude an atmosphere of decadent exoti-cism which derives from Chasseriau, and which Gustave Moreau was to exploit and develop much more fully: in his Salome of 1856, Puvis shows the daughter of Herodias holding aloft the charger as a signal to the executioner far below her, while to the executioner far below her, while in the even more explicit Saint Sebastian of the following year the four young archers seem totally unaware of the sagging body of their companion-victim suspended by his wrists in the background. A fine red-chalk study for the figure of the saint is exhibited alongside the oil, as well as the alongside the oil, as well as the artist's own etching after the whole composition.

It was at the Salon of 1861 that Puvis had his first big success, with two allegorical canvases illustrating the contrasting themes of war (Bellum) and peace (Concordia) which prompted the critic Théophile Gautier to compare the painter with the great decorators of the the state to purchase them for the new museum at Amiens where they became the nucleus of a complete scheme of decoration executed over a number of years. Fortunately, like some of the great Baroque decorative painters, Puvis often executed small-scale replicas of his compositions, many of which are included in the exhibition, as well as some of his marvellous preparatory drawings made from the living

He also produced preliminary sketches (the equivalent of the Italian bozzetto) and two remarkably fluid studies for the museum at Marseille have been lent by the Phillips Collection, Washington: the subjects are Massilia, colonie crecque and includes



grandiloquent Palais Longchamp at Marseille (which contains two museums) was built by Henri Espérandieu from 1862, and Puvis carried out his two huge mural decorations between 1867 and 1869. A year later he began work on the decoration of the Town Hall at Poitiers, and in 1874 he carried out his first commission for the Panthéon in Paris, The Childhood of Saint Genevieve, for which the fullsize cartoon on canvas has recently been rediscovered in reserves of the Musées Royaux d'Art et d'Histoire at Brussels.

The Panthéon is of course open to the public (except on (in oil on canvas, like all his decorations) can be studied on site, together with the much later group (1897-98) which group (1897-98) which les the unforgettable

Marseille, porte de l'Orient. The image of St Genevieve watching two large panels, Winter and over the sleeping city. The other decorations in Paris are not so easy of access: the Grand Amphithéatre of the Sorbonne (1888-89) is theoretically open to the public during the run of the exhibition on Friday afternoons (2-5) and on Saturdays (10-12, 2-5) but on the day I went it was firmly locked and only opened with considerable

The staterooms of the Hôtel de Ville can be visited only on Monday mornings at 10.30, with a guide, but it is well worth the effort, since as well as the rooms decorated by Puvis it houses a comprehensive collec-tion of "pompier" painting which covers every available surface. The Salon du Zodiaque is one of the most successful of all the schemes carried out (1887-92) by Puvis, consisting of

Summer, and four spandrels, in which the painter uses the awkward shape to brilliant effect. Highly-finished sketches of two main scenes are included in the exhibition, as well as several studies for the Escalier d'Honneur, which Puvis also decorated, but much less

Some of the finest things in the exhibition are easel pictures the exhibition are-easel pictures that do not relate to any of his decorative schemes: The Prodigal Son of 1879, the justly famous Poor Fisherman (1881) and the Portrait of Princess Cantacuzène (c 1883), which is shown together with some penetrating pencil studies. Puvis married the princess in 1897, barely 15 months before he barely 15 months before he died.

Jeffery Daniels

### Abbado records the Scala Boccanegra

Few better opera sets were issued last year than DG's recording of Verdi's Macbeth. recording of Verdi's Macbeth. The strength came from the quality of ensemble and the ability to convey the involvement and intensity of a stage performance on disc. The cast used, with a couple of changes, was that of La Scala. DG simply moved them, together with the orchestra, chorus and conductor Claudio Abbado down to the new television studios at the western extension dios at the western extension of Milan's metro.

DG have just completed recording another of the Scala's successes, Simon Boccanegra, with a similar team in Milan. London had a taste of its quality when La Scala came here last March and recognized Boccanegra as one of the finest Verdi productions of recent years, even though Strehler's staging had to be trimmed to the dimensions of the Opera House stage. The commitment of Piero Cappucatilities and the control of the Commitment of Piero Cappucatilities and the control of the Commitment of Piero Cappucatilities and the control of the commitment of Piero Cappucatilities and the control of the commitment of Piero Cappucatilities and the control of t cilli in the title role, of Mirella Freni's Amelia and of Claudio Abbado's conducting set the standards by which future Boccanegras will have to be judged.

DG kept the nucleus of the Milan side for the recording and added in Jose Carreras as Gabriele Adorno, Jose van Dam as Paolo and Nicolai Ghiaurov as Fiesco. No weak-nesses there on paper. Claudio Abbado is back with La Scala, at least for recording purposes, after his resignation last summer. He is guarded about his return to the theatre itself, which is the subject of almost daily speculation in the local papers, but has no reservations about his devotion to Boccane-

"It is one of the operas I love most and, if you go back to Verdi's letters, you can see the place it had in the composer's heart. On a more personal level, I cherish it because it was the first opera on which I worked with Giorgio Strehler, and I think we did quite well together. We planned it as part of a cycle of the operas to which Verdi returned, Macbeth, which

you've already seen, and Don

Carlos being the other two." How far is Abbado trying to create a theatre production on record? "I think we are trying to give a sense of theatre. We keep on remembering the stage because many of us worked together for so long on the production; sometimes we use the same positioning as, for instance, when Boccanegra moves backwards with that cry

William Gaunt | Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions,



Claudio Abbado during the Boccanegra sessions

be allowed here and there because of the demands of the stage; in the studios there must be total fidelity to the

orchestra plays for Abbado with a fire and immediacy which some of their regular conductors have no ability to command. Did he make many changes among the personnel while he was there? "Yes, there were one or two replace-

say, then I think it is because of greater personal pride within and without the theatre. When I came in 1968 there were only a couple of quartets which the players had formed among themselves; now there must be at least 10 ensembles in various sections giving pub-

lic and private performances." And will Abbado return to La Scala? "If the terms are right, yes. I want to conduct Don Carlos and record it for ments. The orchestra is cer- DG. We also have plans for tainly more cosmopolitan than new productions of Un ballo it was and we now have Bul- in maschera and Nabuc-o,

If Don Carlos goes ahead and opens the next Scala seaand opens the next Scala sea-son in December the Elisabetta will be Mirella Freni, who has been having her major suc-cesses recently in Verdi at La Scala and at Sakzburg. The turning point for Freni came when she decided to sing Des-demona for Karajan in his Salzburg Otello. Salzburg Otello. "He asked me many times before I agreed. I had been

convinced that I could not sing the role, that I should not extend my voice beyond Mar-guerite and Mimi: But Karajan is one of the most persuasive men I know. I'm not usually nervous on stage, but during the love duet on the first night of that Otello my legs did not stop trembling — I still have the sensation. You say that after that performance there was a new Freni and probably you're right. And maybe you will hear yet another Freni in 1979 because Herr you Karajan is trying to persuade me to sing a major new role there, although

"I am very careful about tackling anything which will make the voice heavier. When Is Scala suggested Amelia in Simon Boccanegra I said 'No, no, it's impossible l' I'm afraid that's always my reaction. But then I return home and go over the score with my hus-band and sometimes it turns all. I was worried that Amelia would lie too low for my voice; now it comes much more easily. The only problem is that I have become a 'Verdi soprano', as they say in our business. No one asks me to sing the lighter roles. The requests are all for Desdemona, Elisabetta, the Boccone-gra Amelia. So I've decided to balance this by preparing two recitals for New York and Washington in which the first half will be given to Italian songs, where the voice is used as a pure and simple instrument, and the second to leider by Duparc and Dvorak. It is 10 years since I gave a solo pro-gramme and I've almost forgotten what the feeling is like. Everyone wants opera, opera, opera. . . .

Meanwhile down at the CTC Studios in Milan it is with the casts at La Scala itself suffering somewhat as Simon Boccanegra goes on to tape. The results should be available next autumn and to judge from the sessions they have every chance of being in the Macheth class.

John Higgins

#### Tancredi

Oueen Elizabeth Hall

#### William Mann

Monday's concert perform-ance of Tancredi, Rossini's first international success as a composer of opera, was no ad hoc run-through but an import from France. Its conductor, John Perras, had been asked by the House of Culture in Rennes to prepare, cast, and conduct the work for stage performances in Rennes, Angers and Orléans. The cast was selected after auditions organized for Mr Perras by our Park Lane Group who presented this concert hearing in London after the performances in France last month and after a commercial recording for the gramophone. Mr Perras's performing edition was of special interest in including an extra aria for the principal tenor at the beginning of Act II, and a different setting of the subsidiary soprano's aria just afterwards; it in-cluded all the other numbers commonly printed (but not Tancredi's "Fra Le Ombre" with born obligato, which we heard at Camden Festival in

1971) as well as all the recitaabout half a century after its Venice premiere in 1813, for the liling aria "Di tanti palpiti". The scenario by Gaetano Rossi derives ulti-marely from Tasso but is not concerned with Clorinda (as in Monteverdi); Rossi's heroine is called Amenaida. It is typical of opera seria in treating characters statically but giving the principals music in a variety of moods, untypical in quite frequent provision for concerted ensembles and choruses, several of them at least as fine as "Di tanti palpid", especially

the cavatina sung by Tancred when lost behind the Saracen lines. There is plenty of splendid, expressive orchestral music, more to German than Italian taste of the time, but much to the liking of a modern

Heavy technical demands are made on the principal singers, as a matter of course, the subsidiary parts as much as hero and heroine. Mr Perras, perhaps counting on small opera-houses for his performances, chose young British singers, attractive in timbre, neatly focused but not large: all the florid music on Monday was cidily and expressively sung, but not loudly, often with recourse to half-voice or falsetto, as was the custom in Rossini's youth-

The biggest and most characterful voice was that of Tom McDonnell, who much enjoyed himself with the blacker-thanblack vituperation and sneering of the villainous Orbazzano. Keith Lewis, who sang the heroine's royal father, displayed a likable tenor, quite strong but most attractive in half-voice (when he strongly recalled Richard Lewis with whom he has studied), a useful singer though his Italian is fallible.

Hannah Francis sang charmhannah Francis sang charmingly, sometimes rather too discreetly, with admirable nearness and appreciation of line, as the heroine, particularly in her second act aria "Giusto Dio". The title part, written for a female mezzo-soprano, not a male castrato, was undertaken by Patricia Price, nicely though too effortfully. PLG provided the male chorus and the orchestra, conducted with fervent spirit as well as scholarly care by Mr Perras; the recitatives did go on and on, sometimes a bit tentatively (they were evidently abbreviated in the operahouse, though the singers sang everything by heart). It was a long bur enjoyable evening.

#### Murray Perahia

St John's/Radio 3

#### Joan Chissell

Nothing cheered Schumann From Brahms Mr Peruhia more towards the end of his chose the Handel Variations, days than discovering the young Brahms. As a sexagenarian, Brahms in his turn once confessed that having known Schumann was one of the three things that had made his own life most worth living. So both composers would have been well content with their pairing in Murray Perahia's recital in the Monday lunchtime series broadcast from St John's, Smith

Square. . Mr Perahig's affection Schumann is well known. this occasion he chose the keeping each number crisp and to Schumann's youthful idol, buoyant. Despite the resonance of St John's, it was perhaps the crystalline clarity of his sound world that impressed most over

the radio. Nothing was obscured by the right pedal. Always he found something new to emphaize in repeats. In the fanciful finale he was uncommonly suc-cessful in delineating crosscurrents of tune and rhythm.

written in defiance of the New German School to show that the spirit of the past was anything but dead. Here again Mr Perahia eschawed heavily pedalled washes of sound and all romantic self indulgencies in favour of classical purity. The theme itself could not have been outlined with a more deli-cate precision and clarity even by a harpsichord. Now and again his tempo seemed a bit de-liberate, as if in mortal dread of wrong notes—these were in fact very few and far between. But Mr Perahia found conyouthful Papillons Op 2, the trolled strength for the higger first of the composer's several outbursts, and from variation invitations to the dance. Mr Perahia never forgot the back-ground of the masked ball, For encore Mr Perahia turned

#### Costly theatrical imports

Seat prices higher than those at Covent Garden would have to be charged if Sadler's We'ls Theatre met the fees charged by some foreign companies. Mr Douglas Craig, director of Sadler's Wells, said on Monday. "The whole house would have to average £6-£7 a seat." he said, "and this is wholly outside our charter. We would alienate our public to charge those sort of prices."

those sort of prices." On the theatre's financial situation, he said their net deficit of over £8,000 would have been a figure "in the black" of £2,000 without value-added

Five foreign companies make their first visit this year: the Royal Danish Academy, Copenhagen (March); Gothenburg Opera (May); Greek Art Theatre (May); Les Danses Sacrées de Bali (August); Korean National Dance Company (August).

Return visits are to be made keturn visits are to be made by the London Opera Centre (March and July); Royal Nor-thern College of Music (March); London Contemp-orary Dance Theatre (April and November); Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet (April and September); English Music Theatre Company (June); D'Oyly Carte Opera Company (July and December); Kabuki (August) and the Handel Opera Society (October).

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### Only a charter of hope for change can calm the young lions of Soweto

Helen Suzman, Progressive Party Member of Parliament in South Africa, contributes this week's guest column

Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of the current currest in South Africa, which has lasted for nearly six months and only now shows signs of abating, is the leading role played by high school pupils.

It was they who organized the mass demonstration in Soweto against the use of the Afrikaans language as a teaching medium in the high schools. When the demonstration escalated into widespread riots after a violent confrontation with the police, it was they who kept up the continued defiance of the authorities. They did this even though the death toll moundid this even though the death toll mounted alarmingly, the wounded numbered hundreds, and thousands were arrested. It was they who organized repeated stay-arhome strikes of adult workers.

The pupils, who are generally older than those in white schools, have not hesitated

those in white schools, have not hesitated to use violence to achieve their objective, stoning buses, trains and taxis carrying fownship residents to and from their places of work, and setting fire to buildings in the black townships. The liquor stores and beer halls were early targets in the riots—"they give us drunk parents". The young have achieved what the police have long failed to do—they have closed down the shebeens (the illicit bars). "Midnight deadline for booze" was the headline night deadline for booze "was the headline in the Soweto paper The World on October 31—inconceivable six months ago to imagine Soweto, with its vast consumption

Imaging Sowero, with its vast consumption of liquor, going dry.

Once the hated regulation regarding Afrikaans as a teaching medium had been withdrawn (and this happened shortly after the original riots took place in Soweto in mid-June), it may well be asked why the situation in the townships did not return to normal. did not return to normal.

The answer is to be found in the fact

The answer is to be found in the fact that the teaching medium was only one of many grievances which have turned Sowers and the other black urban townships into tinder boxes, only awaiting a spark to set them ablase.

Conditions in the vast sprawling black urban areas have steadily been deteriorating. In Soweto, 2,000 houses need to be built each year to keep pace with the natural increase alone. Only 798 were built last year, and the overall shortfall today is more than 20,000 at the minimum. The resultant overcrowding is appalling. The resultant overcrowding is appalling. The resultant overcrowding is appalling. Two-bedroom houses with 12 occupants are not uncommon. Less then one-third of the houses have electricity. Indeed, how any youngster manages to study under present conditions is a mystery. Transport and recreational facilities are hopelessly inadequate. "Bantu aducation", as it is called is neither free nor commission, as called, is neither free nor compulsory, as it is for white children, and is much inferior to the education received by white children.

children.
Family incomes are generally low, and the cost of living has soured. Blacks are well aware that the quality of life in their segregated townships compares very unfavourably with that in the white suburbs. If, as the head of the Bureau of State Security has claimed, "communists are behind the right," they would certainly behind the riots", they would certainly find fertile fields in which to work. To the simmering causes of discontent, add the Government's failure to implement promises to remove race discrimination made at the United Nations at the end of 1974, the revolutionary changes in Mozambique and Angola, and the imminent



demise of the Smith government in Rhodesia, and the reason for the obduracy of the young becomes clear. Not for tham the silent submission of their percents.

the young becomes their parents.

Perhaps if the Government had, early on in the unrest, swiftly negotiated with black urban leaders, the situation would have been defused. Instead, the Prime Minister opted out entirely, declaring that there was no crists in South Africa, and that he had every confidence that the police could handle the situation. The Minister of Police thus became the kay figure, and his attitude has been characteristically rough. Police action has been anything but restrained. There are many ugly stories (hotily denied by the police) of unprovoked police violence in the townships. The minister has arrested and charged thousands of young blacks with arson and other crimes, many others are being detained incommunicado under the Terrorism Act for interrogation, and about Terrorism Act for interrogation, and about 120 adults and youths were held under the Internal Security Act, which permits pre-

The Government has badly misjudged the spirit of determination pervading the youth in the black urban areas. There is something closely akin to a resistance movement dominating the black townships. The solidarity of the youth is remarkable and becomes especially sig-

nificant because they constitute by far nificant because they constitute by far the majority of the urban black population—in Soweto, it is estimated that well over half of the population is under the age of 23. Unlike the adult black political movements, there do not appear to be informers among the black youth. Significantly, one of the young leaders was on the run for several weeks before he skinned the country, we are informed. skipped the country: no one informed on him despite the 500-rand reward offered.

Whether or not black youth has been permanently aliensted one camer say. If more violence and repeated confrontations are to be avoided, the Government should stop shooting and atant talking, and, needless to say, negotiations are more likely to succeed if conducted round a table rather than shrough prison bars. If the pupils are to be couned back to school, their friends in detention will have to be released and police scrivity around the schools will have to cease, Fundamental changes are needed, ino, in the education system.

Most of all, what is desperately needed is a charter of hope for change—not tough action, for while it is true that black youth is becoming increasingly radical in the demands, there are still many millions of blacks who would welcome peaceful change in South Africa.

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### Farming: Are we feeding ourselves to death?

The subject of agriculture is one of be-wildering complexity. From a whirlwind of green pounds, butter mountains and advertisements, one fact strikes: the price of food increases rapidly while its taste and the health of its consumers decline. Obesity, coronary thrombosis and some cancers are all caused by the wrong diet, invigorated by the fallacy that if something is good for you the more of it you eat the better. Our condition is such that the National Sickness would seem a more

accurate address for our medical services. In many countries, there is now concern that mainstream agriculture has taken the wrong course. Researches, at the end of last century, led to the belief that the soil can be virtually by-passed, except as a supporting medium, and the plants fed directly with soluble often synthetic chemicals. From this sprang the development of further artificial products—insecticides, herbicides and fungicides. Modern agriculture has become a capitalized in food mechanized in food mechanized. dustry, supported by feed, machinery, packaging, chemical and pharmaceutical firms and research institutions—a giant network concerned more with production of money than food. Farms have become factories where plants and animals are injected with every sort of industrial product in order to achieve maximum yields—and maximum return on capital. The excessive use of chemical fertilizers

not only pollutes rivers and lakes, but it also destroys the fertility of the soil itself, and may lock up essential minerals necessary for the health of plants and livestock. One example is that potash will go into insoluble compound with magnitude and insoluble compound with magnitudes.

go into insoluble compound with magnesium thereby denying magnesium to the plant and to the animal which eats the plant this is one of the causes of hypomagnesaemia in cattle. The farmer is compelled to resort to an arsenal of poisons against pests and diseases which are not fully effective as controls and the long-term results of which are unseen.

Also unseen is the waste of energy. To produce one ton of nitrogen fertilizer, between three and five tons of fossil fuels are needed—50 per cent of which is absorbed by the plant, the rest being lost in run-off or seepage, during which it can turn to poisonous uitrate. A number of recent publications have analysed various aspects of energy use, particularly in United States agriculture. Approximately five times as much energy goes into the United States agriculture, Approximately five times as much energy goes into the production of food than is actually contained in the food itself. Furthermore, as far as scientific research has gone in the past, all with has been directed to improving quantity of yield, not quality, and value is assessed by bulk not nutritive

content.
Health, quality and rejection of dangerous practices are the priorities of the alternative movement in organic or biological data. logical agriculture, which is supported by

saveral organizations (The Soil Associa-tion, The Henry Doubleday Research Asso-ciation and The Organic\_Farmers and ciation and The Organic Farmers and Growers are just three). These practical people have little time for woolly romanticism, hippies, food faddists and cranks. They have evolved a positive scientific system of sgriculture based on a more complete biological or ecological viewgrowing food from the land, rather than transmuting imported chemicals and proteins into eatables using the land as a factory floor.

The central idea is to build up soil ferrile central float is to build up son rer-organisms which create hums and pro-duce natural plant foods to maintain all plants' health and resistance to disease) by returning all organic waste to the land in a cycle of renewal. Feed the solution freed the plant to feed the animal/human.
Animal residues are vital for the health
and nutrition of plants—if all animal and
human excretia were harnessed chemical fertilizers could become virtually redun-

dant.
Organic farmers vary. It is impossible here to give full details of their husbandry. Some buy in feed, manures and seed; others are self-sufficient. All are united in not using chemical fertilizers for direct plant feeding; not leaving the land uncovered; not ploughing deeply and in evoiding the use of synthetic insecticides. Most operate a balanted livestock and crop rotation, but one at least is working on an experimental monoculture of cereals

on an experimental monoculture of cereals to develop a low cost system.

What about the economics of such farming? Conventional farm costs have ing? Conventional larm costs have doubled in the past three years, yet one Welsh organic farmer, with 234 acres and a Guernsey herd, writes that his variable costs are as low as £3 an acre. In the view of another organic farmer, much of the expense of conventional farming is unnecessary. It is provoked by commercial propaganda and adds to overheads and investment to a degree which is ludicrously extravagant.

propagantal and cales to overheads and investment to a degree which is ludicrously extravagant. Is it practical to load yourself with expensive machinery which for a lot of the time sits in the barn growing obsolete? The consumer pays for this. Is it fair? It is so easy to follow the pundits, the glossy advertisements promising crops like Jack and the Beanstalk, and meanwhile we're literally poisoning ourselves. "I wouldn't eat a lettuce from a supermarket if you paid me—completely forced on artificial mitrogen. It's time urban people kicked up a fuss." Currently much organic produce carries a premium. But most farmers within the movement want to see this go—along with all the health food racket—and to see their products, gnarauteed chemical free, reasonably priced in supermarkets. At present consumers have little choice of how they

. consumers have little choice of how they eat or where it comes from They are

if only at second hand, the unwitting victims of advertisement and anonopoly. Many doubt whether an organic system of agriculture could produce enough for the world's population, it is often argued that without fertilizers there would be famine. But a growing number of people believe that the so-called "green revolution" has been created by levels of chemical fertilizers and irrigation that developing countries cannot afford, and crops that are vulnerable to disease and drought. Biological systems could be developed to produce all the food the world will need at a fraction of the present western agricultural energy requirements.

Recent surveys in France and the United States corn belt, together with a preliminary report from the Agriculture Economics Unit at Cambridge University (currently working on British organic farm costings) show that organic farmers can obtain yields as high as those of industrial agriculture with sometimes greater Many doubt whether an organic system

trial agriculture with sometimes greater profits. Moreover these results are achieved without the aid that conventional agriculturists receive from chemical and governmental advisory services into which millions of payands are proposed, the British governmental advisory services into which millions of pounds are poured—the British government spends E50m on research and development in agriculture, 80 per cent in research: What might these farmers eccomplish with the backing of scientific research? It is not a question of regression, but of how to go forward.

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In 1975 the Council of Europe urged member governments to set up numbers of pilot farms to conduct long-term experiments into biological farming. In the same year £250,000 was donated by the Nuffield Foundation to shape an agricultural strategy that meets the needs of farmers and serves the whole community. In the words of Lord Rothschild, the scheme will neither contain nor be influenced by "contin, vegetarians, dang-bred addicts."

On the continent governments are cooperating. The Dutch are involved in research, the Swiss run a college on organic lines, the French have just published an excellent report (L'Agriculture Biologique en France). We have done nothing but parrot our narrow mindedness. There are plans for an International Institute of Biological husbandry—only the means are wanting.

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As the Council of Europe stressed present knowledge of ecology, biology and food science is still inadequate. No one knows the long-term effects of chemical residues in food, in humans, or in the environment. The development and presented of presents of chemical control of the chemical control of th potential of organic farming depends on the provision of scientific research and this depends on political and economic choice. Consumers should rise and demand that the government conceive a sease of

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# Picking up the bits and pieces of a city that died in an instant

can a dog be happy without first having been miserable? Thus ran the old philosophical puzzle. And I suppose I shall be considered churlish for saying that there is an extra pleasure to be derived from the election of Sir Hugh Casson as provident. election of Sir Hugh Casson as president of the Royal Academy in the fact that he is the first holder of that position within living memory whose work does not impel anyone of even ordinary artistic sensibility to pull the bedclothes up over the bead and scream. Indeed, without checking the list of past PRAs I cannot think of a genuinely distinguished artist who has held the post in modern times, and it is perhaps significant that in order to find one the academy had to turn to an architect. (Mind you, Sir Hugh is not the first architect-PRA, but if you want to be reminded of the previous president from that profession, go and look at Bracken House, the Financial Times building.

That is by way of prolegomena to my theme, which is the Pompeii ex-hibition at the academy. I realize, of course, that the gestation period of such shows being what it is, this one was planned long before Sir Hugh assumed office; but it has fallen to his lot to write the customary preface to the catalogue (a sumptuous and wonderfully informative volume, incidentally, the work of John Ward-Perkins and Amanda Claridge), in which he reminds us that "No event

in history perhaps has caught so sharply the human imagination or been held so firmly in our memory?

That is indeed true; and Sir Hugh offers two explanations for it. First is that of the psychologists, who tell us "that the capacity to imagine disaster is a primitive but essential part of our human capacity to survive, part of our need to confront death when we are not ourselves dying". Second is his own:

o. we remember Pompeii not just for its human tragety, nor even for the strange accident which kept its secret so perfectly and for so long, but for the wealth and quality of its art—the paintings and furniture, the mosaics and sculpture, the architecture, jewellery and treasures, the whole man-made environment of its. legendary life-style.

But there is surely another explanation, and it is the one that confronts us most sharply at the exhibition: it is the almost uniquely dramatic quality of the city's fate. Many towns in history have been destroyed in natural or man-made disasters: tidal waves, earthquakes, bombing raids, fires. But Pompen stands alone because of the extraordinary micro-cosm of the human condition it portrayed. The reason for the perfec-tion of the portrait was that the agent of destruction was also the means of preservation; but the portrait itself was of all humanity. How many

shipwrecked voyagers have died because they insisted on going to their cabins for some precious jewel or memento instead of making at once for the boats? How many of those trapped in a fire have left their escape too late because they stayed to take something with them from the holocaust? Even in one of the least terrible of all the world's disasters—the collapse of the Campanile in Venice in 1902, after it had stood for a thousand years—where no human being died (the building was seen to be tottering some days before it fell, and the area was evacuated and roped off), there was just such a four-legged casualty in the lodge-keeper's cat, which had insisted on going back through the cordon to finish its breakfast. (The cat, incidentally, was called Vesuvio.)

cordon to finish its breakfast. (The cat, incidentally, was called Vesuvio.)
This inability to face the necessity of instant flight was seen at its most intense in Pompeii; it is true that many died because, though they had fled at once, they were overcome by the fumes in the outskirts of the city or on the jammed roads beyond, but many others were frozen for ever in the very act of taking their posses. in the very act of taking their possessions from a drawer, or on the way down to the cellars of their houses to pack stored beloosings. Most of us have played the after-dinner game in which we are asked to say what single possession we would take with us if forced to flee for our lives from

value to anyone but ourselves, infused as it is for us with the human associations that it conjures up.

That is one part of the drama of Pompeii on August 24, 79 AD. But in addition to the element provided by our feeling of identification with the victims—not only those who dallied too long, but also those who were caught and transfixed literally in midcaught and transfixed literally in mid-stride, thus becoming so much more human and recognizable for us than any Pharaoh in his sandalwood sarcophagus—there is the no less dramatic quality of the fact that the city's death and immortality took place almost in a single instant, so that every aspect of its normal life was and is visible.

was and is visible.

Sir Hugh Casson is right to draw attention to the richness and variety of Pompeil's art, an enormous selection of which is included in this exhibition (I found the paintings a little insipid, but it may be that colours were less well preserved by the volcanic matter than were three-dimensional objects); but far more dramatically evocative are the ordinary things of life that perished with their users, and that would not have been thought of by those users as worth preserving for two years, let alone two thousand. The hairpins and mirrors, for instance, the coins, the garden ornaments (rather prettier, most of them than your

average plastic gnome of today), the lamps and jugs and bottles, the doctor's scales and the tradesman's stamp, the carpenter's plane and the schoolboy's inkpot, the dice and knuckle-bones; and, perhaps the strangest and in some ways the most touching of all, the marble slab, hemifully forced which guots out beautifully incised, which turns out to be neither more nor less than an advertisement:

The Baths of Marcus Crassus Prugi. Sea-water and fresh-water bathing. Januarius, Freedman.

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It is this quality of immediate recognition that for me provided the most fascinating aspect of the Pompeii exhibition. The religious and other ceremonies and rituals portrayed or implied (remember that Christianity was not to become the religion of the Empire for more than another two centuries) are interesting, but the modern speciator remains detached from them. The works of art and ornament are in many cases (the sculpture especially) of very great beauty. But the colander, the ear-rings, the folding ruler, the comb and the slab which recorded that the work of reconstrucruler, the comb and the slab which recorded that the work of reconstruction at the Pompeii Theatre was done by a firm of architects run by Marcus Artorius—these are the things which bring the dead to life, only for them to die again before our eyes under the fiery rain, our brothers and sisters in their ordinary existence and their extraordinary misfortune.

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### Untangling the complex mysteries of Mars

Some of the tentalizing ques-tions about Mars raised by the American Viking spacecraft last year are to be reinvestigated. The second and longest phase of the exploration is about to begin, now that in-struments switched off two months ago, just before the planet moved behind the Sun, can be revived. Certainly, work should continue throughout 1977 and, it may be hoped,

In the interim, 81 senior scientists in charge of the 13 different categories of investigation have not completed their interpretation of the mass of information from the

Some of the difficulty comes trying to reconcile what the wide range of discoveries about Mars tell the scientist about its formation, its age and the processes that have attered its shape and the composition of its atmosphere over millions

Uncertainties with the biological experiments have over-shadowed very important find-BEISTEIN oxygen, argon, nitrogen, kryp-ton and zenon in the atmo-sphere. An analysis of nitrogen, argon, krypton and xenom is extremely important in reconstructing the history of how the planet "outgassed" and lost volatile materials to

These studies suggest that Mors promusly had an atmosphere about ten times denser than new. There is also evidence of massive flooding which gauged our cappons. All this fits very well with eviexisted on the planet.

Mony scientists have considered that organic chemistry everiments made on the au-face would be crucial in answering questions about primi-tive life forms. Organic com-pounds can be produced either by biological or chemical proorganic compounds is not in itself an indication of life. But no organic compounds have been detacted by the sensitive chemical apparatus on either

of the two Viking landers. ferent from the first one. In east, dropping the pressure, fact, the close geological simi-then the wind picked up to has been one of the many supprises of the expedition. Both are rich in iron and have almost exactly the same com-position of their major els-

ments, like calcium, eium, silicon and sulphur.

But the geological similarities ere not as perplexing as those produced by the biological experiments, which do not square with the organic chemistry ones. In fact, the quandary about interpreting the biological investigation continued

until the instruments were switched off. One of the last experiments took soil from beneath a rock, showing again intiguing activity that appeared to be consistent with the existence of they molecules that could have been produced by a biochemical process.

Dr Geraid Soffen, chief scientist for the Viking project, describes some of the reasons for being perplexed. He said they had prepared themselves for a difficult task untangling the mystery of whether organic compounds came from life or nonlife processes. The fact that no organic compounds were found raised questions like: where is the meterial from meteorites containing chemically formed organic compounds? Some truces, at least, were expected from bombardment of Mars by these so-called carbonaceous

chondrites. Their absence is almost a embarrassing for the experi-menters as trying to explain what has happened in the special biological appretus. In fact, the biological examinations are to be continued for at least another 100 days.

Tests with identical equip-ment on earth of soil samples from the Antarctic show that these samples can be incubated for three or four months before organic compounds can be identified, showing the exis-tence of traces of biological molecules which withstand low temperatures.

Meteorological equipment on the Viking craft confirm tem-peratures are cold with the highest measurements being about —32 deg C. Nevertheless, conditions in the first part of the project have been quieter than expected. However, just before Mars disappeared behind the Sun, blocking com-The two viking landers.

The two spacecraft are more munications, measurements of munications, measurements of weather conditions showed for two days a front: The wind exploration was intended to came steadily over the Viking give a location geologically afficient from the first one. In

Pearce Wright

### Mr Jenkins must lift 'the frozen mitt' from EEC social policy

Mr Roy Jenkins has let it be known that he wants his presi-dency of the European Com-mission to be characterized by Emphasis on the need a concentration on policies with a direct human impact. for community opportunity to convert aspiration into action. A new Community social action programme, covering the period to 1980, has to be agreed with the Council of Ministers over policies for public health is welcome. The same cannot the next few months. The Commission's proposals be said for presented to the council before Christmas, and industrial relations

P. G. Wodehouse used to call "the old frozen mitt" treat-

tor environmental control

seas aid.

consumer protection, and the expanded programme of over-

The social action programme encompassed a wide range of

measures to promote employ-ment, equal opportunities for

women, worker participation and labour relations, health and safety, action to help migrant workers, rehabilitation of the disabled, anti-poverty

social protection, and so on.

The programme was broadly successful in its first two years, but during 1976 the pace

of achievement fell away sharply, leaving large parts of

the programme uncompleted by the end of the year. These

measures (largely concerned with action to help migrants and the extension of social

protection) will presumably be carried out during 1977.

and there is a danger of a

the outgoing Commission.
Although a draft second social

measures, improvements

ment. The new Commission will have to retrieve the situation, by producing a more conaction programme is known to have been circulating in Brus-sels a year ago, the Commis-sion chose instead to present a vincing programme and fight-ing for it with rather more vigour than its predecessors were able to muster. The Commission's first social The Commission's first social action programme, covering the period 1974-76, was the centrepiece of the range of new policies designed to give the Community a "human face"; other such policies included the establishment of the regional fund, measures for environmental control and ed as a "valedictory state-ment" by the outgoing social affairs commissioner, Dr

reporting the state of play on the various measures in the 1974-76 programme, concludword-factory in recent years: word-factory in recent years:

"This report ... gives the Commission reason to believe that it has fully carried out the tasks assigned to it by the council resolution of January 21, 1974"; when in fact the report proves just the opposite. Rarely has the concern for some standard over reality, the some standard over reality, the some standard over reality.

21, 1974"; when in fact the report proves just the opposite. Rarely has the concern for appearance over reality, the besetting sin of the former Commission, been so shamelessly paraded. It is small wonder that the ministers, knowing the facts, should have treated the rest of the report with acant courtesy. But it is treated the rest of the report with scant courtesy. But it is unfortunate, for misstatements about the past are much less important than proposals for the future. And the social problems in the European Community, as the Commission paper makes clear, certainly require vigorous action.

The Commission's guidelines for the new programme look

But more important than the completion of the first pro-gramme is the establishment of for the new programme look like a watered-down version of the old one, with the same general priority areas: employ-ment, labour relations, social protection and public health— and insistence on the archime gramme. According to the resolution of the Council of Ministers which approved the first programme on Jamaary 21, 1974, the second programme was to have been agreed by the end of 1976. That deadline has been missed, and insistence on the achieve-ment of a social "consensus" (evidently the new vogue word to replace "participation"). The emphasis on the need vacuum developing in this poli-tically very sensitive area. Responsibility for failure to meet the deadline falls for Community policies in the field of public health is new, and welcome. The same cannot squarely on the shoulders of

suggestion that the Community institutions should invite both sides of industry together to try to draw up European-wide collective bargaining agree-ments. This is an idea which has been around Brussels for some time, partly because a minority of European trade unionists are keen on it, partly because some of the more cloistered Eurocrats have deve-

inflation rates any most inflation rates any most ing this idea now will be to frighten employers away from cooperating with unions, governments and Commission in the area where such coopera up in economic activity. That it should not do so is today probably the single most important requirement for the portant requirement for the control of European wible that

strer ground in its proposals to combat unemployment, and to develop a social "con-sensus" with unions and employers which can help to employers which can neip to hold down inflationary pressures—a kind of Europeanized "Neddy", with its own industrial strategy and social contract. This is the aspect on which Mr Jenkins and his colleagues should concentrate, in the revision and strengthening of the document which will now clearly be needed.

dustrial relations.

Here the Commission has not so far dared to breathe chooses to resurrect, as one of the words "incomes policy", it

s plainly edging towards doing

No social consensus which fails to grasp this nettle will be worth much. On the other side, the Commission has not been inactive in promoting in-dustrial democracy in the inerests of the unions.
The two directives designed

to protect workers' interests in collective redundanty situations and when the ownership of the firm changes (the second was pessed last month by the council), will soon be followed by a third, dealing with individual redundancy provisions. Further to promote equality at work between men and omen-notably in the area of social security—are in the pipelins. The Commission is helping to finance the setting-up of a European Trade Union

On worker participation, the Commission is preparing a draft document on works councils to complement its Green Paper on worker representation at board level. It is working on proposals to extend social security and protect minimum wages, and to deve-1974-76 programme, conclud- loped a Pavlovian reaction to lop the concept of the more any proposal, however hare run investment funds financed by compulsory levies on interest from the Brussels tive "European" in front of dustry (as has been proposed separately in Depmark, separately in Deman, separately in Demander. Netherlands).

So the Commission has already, over the last few years, gone quite a long way to prepare the ground for a UK-type social contract, at EEC level. Now is the time to capi-talize on this, as the British going to be struck, without talize on this, as the British holding back the richer countries and imposing impossible on the social contract in the inflationary burdens on the autumn of 1975, to establish poorer (who have much higher

> portant requirement for the future well-being of European society. And it is possible that faster progress can be made to restructure European industry, and reduce unemployment levels, than today seems fea-

A social policy which focused on these objectives would have to be much more closely linked with economic and with industrial policy at Community level than has been the case. This is another reason why the president him-self should be seen to play an active role in this field.

It is only a matter of time before Mr Rees, the Home Secretary, or Mr Ennals, his counterpart at the Department of Health, are questioned in the Commons on Britain's drug abuse problems.

Almost a decade after the last scare about narcotic abuse in Britain there are signs that the searchilght of public in-terest will soon be glaring on the problem again. Once there were fears that London would become another New York, now comparisons are being made with Amsterdam, now

the heroin capital of Europe. Ministers may be asked how big the problem is? They may be asked what addictive drugs be asked what addressed apart from heroin and how many users there are? It will be difficult for the ministers to give any accurate enswer.

Since 1969 when the drug dependency clinics were opened, the Home Office has published figures amountly for and the number receiving treat. ment. Civil servants said this was the best they could do and very few addicts were omitted.

They ergued that exami-nation of the figures for deaths by overdosing provided a check on whether or not the problem was growing. It was said these figures reflected the use of heroin outside the sys-tem of clinics since death by overdosing should not occur among registered addicts receiving prescribed supplies.

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Now it is admitted that few of the figures provide an accurate indication of the size of the abuse problem or the idlicit drugs trade. In 1975, the last year for which figures have been published, the Home Office reported 3,340 notified narcotic addicts. Drug squad officers were then talking about at least double this number acqually existing in number acrually existing in and outside the clinics.

It can be argued that drug squads have a vested interest in inflating the situation but civil servants are now admit-ting that the grey area outside their statistics is bigger than they were earlier prepared to

One reason is that heroin smoking has become a fashion among addicts and would-be addicts, which means that they will rake longer to come to the notice of doctors than if they id be seen to play an took heroin intravenously with took heroin intravenously with all the attendant risks of dirty needles and doubtful concoctions. Such a custom also

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### The Times Diary

Into the 20th century at last

It is 94 years since it made its the country's first nuclear flickering debut in the streets power station still pumps out of London, and it is 20 years the megawatts. This last dark since the 37 inhabitants of one corner of England has been of the most remote communi-ties in England asked if they could have it. Now they are at last about to receive the benefits of Michael Faraday's muchacclaimed invention, electricity.
Wasdale Head consists of Wasdale Head consists of four farms, two cottages, a hotel, a camping site, a climbing hut, and the second smallest church in the country. It clings to a pocket-handkerchief of stony ground between England's highest mountain and her deepest lake, where hardy men tend hardler sheep, and receive snowstorms of interference on their television screens because of unrekable diesel generators.

corner of England has been promised light at the end of March.

This is one of the drawbacks This is one of the drawbacks of living in an area of outstanding natural beauty. The North-Western Electricity Board were, understandably, forbidden to string wires on overhead pylous up the valley. To lay the cable underground all the way would have cost about £100,000 and that according to Stanley that, according to Studey Bulmer, the board's area manager, would have meant asking each household for an installation charge of £10,000.

After years of indecision and delay, a satisfactory compromise has been reached. The Countryside Commission has provided a grant of £27,000: After years of indecision and the treevision screens because of unreliable diesel generators.

Hemmed in by Scafell Pike, Greet Gabie and Kirk Fell on the one side, and the dark, still depths of Wastwater on the other, Wasdale Head proclams of the labour has been reached. The itself as the birthplace of rock climbing. It is five miles from the nearest mains electricity, and only 12 miles from Wind only 12 miles from Wind and Calder Hall, where

and on the bed of the lake, with only two short and discreet stretches, mounted on small wooden poles, showing above ground. The house-holders of Wasdale Head will be paying £450 each to be wired up to civilization.

Bill Balley, assistant manager of the Wastwater Hotel, has mixed feelings about it. The

mixed feelings about it. The hotel has been asked for a £2,000 connexion charge. A year ago, not aware that mains power would come so soon, they installed two large and costly diesel generators, which run the lights, storage heaters, beer pumps and microwave ovens.

"We have waited for it for long enough. Had we known it would actually arrive, we would never have put the new generators in. They have broken down four times, and we have to get a man all the way from Manchester to repair them. And they can only take a limited load; sometimes, if a guest brings his own electric blanket, we have to offer him a choice between a warm bed and a hot



This historic sign was photo-graphed in Cairo in 1941 by an RAF comrade of Bernard RAF comrade of Bernard Driver of Upham, Hampshire.

They had bought a freezer in anticipation of the new power and were trying it out on the generator, but had to implug if they wanted to use anything else. Fresh meat has, until now, been a once-a-fortnight treat.

Kath Naylor, standing by the huge solid-fuel range in her farmhouse kitchen, was bemoaning the recent explosion of her washing machine. "Something got overloaded, and it went up in smoke, It's the same with the electric mixer; when I swinch it on all the lights go dim. And the television is a dead loss."

Mrs Naylor's principal worry

Are pecting banquets", she said cheerity.

Casual visitors to this stark and beautiful valley will benefit too. The National Trust camp site is to have hot showers and the climbing club hut is to have huge at any form such things, while others argued that after a day on the high fells a bit of heat was a great relief. The softies won the day, and they too paid their £450. anticipation of the new power and were trying it out on the generator, but had to unplug if they wanted to use anything

church, and the vicar comes only once a fortnight.<sup>3</sup> At the moment it has two oil lamps and a portable gas heater, which is of more benefit to the preacher than to the congrega-

Mrs Buchanan is expecting her baby at about the time of the switch-on. Her farmhouse kitoten has a gigantic Aga range and a vacuum cleaner.

"We've paid so much for the connexion, we can't afford any fancy gadgets. And don't you go writing that I'm buying a deep-freeze, or any bed-and-breakfast customers will be expecting banquets, she said cheerily.

who, when canvassed by Norweb 14 years ago about the desir-ability of mains power, rushed to Whitehaven and bought an electric kettle. It is still in its

Traffic jums in Lagos, the capital of Nigeria, have become so bad that a new edict bans so bad that a new edict bans cars with even numbers from the roads on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and cars with odd numbers on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. A doctor at Lagos University's School of Medicine says that on the days when she is not allowed to use her car to get to work she has to telephone for an ambulance to come and jetch her — doubling the journey involved.

Woweee!!

P. H. Simpligessverk, my econo-P. H. Simpligesverk, my economics correspondent, writes:
Raise the roof! Clap your feet! Let the golden wedding bells chime! The trade figures for December (traditionally a deficit of £309 million will be completely obliterated.



We have turned the correct can hardly see for the da brightness of the light end of the tunnel. We short, on our way." Vext week: New crisis alph Bakshi, the latest

or to attempt a film of J. Tolkien's Lord of the says he envisages Middle as being somewhere in English Midlands. The fowill never recover if his E turns out to have a

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### EY, ROUND THE CORNER

, has its reflexes; and one of is an annual outburst of less optimism. All New Year ioria needs to be seasonally ected. But on this occasion e is more than just the New behind the sudden outbreak hirpiness, which even extento a solemn assurance with 1e authority of the BBC News Monday that we have inded the corner". Interest are now thought to have ed their peak and to face a downward slope.

le International Monetary. d has approved, to the extent s facilities, support for sterand the Government's omic strategy. A "safety has been suspended under pound; and the Government committed themselves to ng off the official sterling nces within a defined period. trade figures for December much better than generally cted; and in consequence current account deficit on the ace of payments in 1976 ed out at only just over 10m, rather than at close to Om as seemed likely a few

ne pound itself has been maining its solid recovery from brink of disaster at the end ctober. Government spending been reined back so often for the first time since the there is now the prospect of actual fall in spending from year to the next. And the is of the IMF credit imply e constraint on the ability of Government or their sucors to cast care to the winds he first sign of a swallow, ite the regrettable comments ie Governor of the Bank of land on Monday emphasizing 'flexibility" of these bonds. ris, however, is all short-stuff. It should not be often that rats in enclosed 38 spend their lives turning ers without any discernible covergent in their position. real question is which ers have been turned. There

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Year, like spring and harvest of the Chancellor's 1976 Budget currents that lead through deficit, aggravated by the still unexplained torpor which overtook those in the Bank of England who should have been selling gilt-edged securities last August, which put us on the wrong side of that corner in the

first place, progress that the authorities should have the money supply under effective control, to which end it is certainly helpful that public expenditure should be thought to be under better control, albeit at too high an absolute level, and that interest rates should be thought likely to decline during the months ahead. It is further helpful that the pound should be thought to be better protected than before from the supposed threat of irrational movements of short-term funds, and that a steady improvement in the balance of payments should be generally taken for granted.

None of this means, however, that Britain has rounded any of the more prominent capes which bar her passage to calmer waters. In particular there are two; and it is arguable that they lie in opposed directions, that to round one would be to move farther down wind of the other.

There is the corner of the conventional four-year cycle of expansion and recession, the dividing line between falling and rising unemployment. A year ago it seemed for a while that we might be beginning to round that corner. In the event the weakness of world trade and the strength of personal savings have falsified that expectation; and now there is no credible prospect of output rising faster in 1977 than productive potential.

The recession is likely to get deeper in 1977 and probably again in 1978, if present policies are maintained and world trade does not outperform even the more optimistic forecasts. It is for precisely this reason that it is possible to begin to take a more positive view of the prospects of rounding the other cape, the third corner. That is the division between the dismal experience of accelerating inflation and rising average levels of unemployment and the benign

stability to a maintainable prosperity.

The great menace looming over the economy and indeed perhaps over the stability of Britain's political institutions has been the threat of reflation, the danger that, following the pattern of It is at least a necessary con-dition of any more enduring every previous postwar economic cycle acted out in the sincere spirit of Keynesian full-employment economics, the Government would be driven to stoke up the next, and probably fatal, boom for the sake of some short-term alleviation of the trend of memployment.

This has not happened, partly through the fortifude of the Chancellor, for all his aggravat-ing bêtises, in resisting crude fiscal and monetary expansionism of the Maudling-Barber type and partly through the good fortune that Mr Healey preferred to put his faith in an export boom which never materialized. In consequence we have so far been spared, for eighteen months beyond the normal cyclical timing, the kind of boom which merely boosts the long-term trend of inflation after a brief and soon reversed dip in unemployment.

The acid question remains whether the Government, any government, can go on indefinitely resisting the political pressure to move in this direction, even though it may take years before the effects of endemic recession on pay determi-nation and work practices eventually begin to bring unemployment down. Here it is the prospects for pay restraint which become decisive.

The incomes policy has eroded differentials, damaged incentives and led to countless anomalies: it will not be possible to continue it in its present form, but if there is a pay explosion this autumnand the political and economic analogies with 1969 are powerfully suggestive—then unemployment will begin to rise sharply with the sharp rise in costs and prices, as they did in 1970-71. That will put pressure on the Government to neutralize the effects by printing money. It is open to question whether the political fabric could withstand either development without per-

### JDIA'S ELECTIONS ARE WELCOME

cs of her state of emergency ndia has always been that she ained a believer in parlia--tary democracy and that her ponement of elections was temporary. The course of emergency and the manner which its edicts have been ied to Indian society tested that Mrs Gandhi estly believed what she said,

that in so far as she believed and constantly med—that her choices were nade for the good of India, was capable of deceiving elf about the real nature of ical freedom. This may still rue. The fault may persist.
a welcome should be given the less to yesterday's nuncement that elections will eld in March.

re election may do little to iffirm the power of the ile"—to borrow a phrase Mrs Gandhi's left-wing oric. It will be a long time re elections in India can do What it will do is to give ter government a standing it has plainly lacked since emergency was declared. The can be little doubt that stress will be returned. What at be informative is to learn ther the claims made for the

ess of the emergency among

masses—peasants feeling that

old burdens have been lifted

Gandhi's retort to any end to inflation and stable prices -are reflected in the majority. That should be enormous if the

claims are true. Rather more doubts hang over the promise also made in Mrs Gandhi's broadcast that the elections will be accompanied by a relaxation of the emergency. The details of this relaxation are awaited, though something was implied by Mrs Gandhi's appeal for political parties to eschew violence while putting all points of view. She believed that the health of the country, deemed to be so sick when the emergency was found to be necessary, was being nursed back to normal. The hospital analogy may seem somewhat disturbing. The nurse's goodwill, behind which stands the doctor's firm and sole judgment, is not one that truly reflects the character of political

freedom. Certainly measures to free the Indian press from this fussy, desperately unimaginative, bureaucratic censorship will be watched with interest. (Outgoing messages from foreign correspondents were removed some time ago from censorship.) One recent example was the political mease in Congress over Mr Sanjay Gandhi's constant and outspoken criticism of the pro-Moscow Communist Party of India, until recently an active partner in Mrs Gandhi's Govern-1 them, or urban money-users ment. While the allegiance still thing a stable currency, an survives in name—anything else

would be embarrassing with a government so well-disposed towards the Soviet Union—left-wing members of Congress have been protesting at Mr Sanjay Gandhi's action. They resent his anti-communist and right-wing attitudes, coupled with the political power he has acquired as leader of the Congress youth. Such conflicts are not surprising; they are inherent in political life. But nothing of this could appear in the Indian press. The cansors banned it completely. If India's political debate is to have any life at all this is the sort of dampener that will have to go.

Her tone implies that Mrs Gaudhi does not want to lose her grip on the country. It is in political life that a willingness to trust people must be revived. There could be far too strong an impulse to admit only the approved. This was illustrated by the opposition parties' readiness to disown violence and their desire two months ago for a dialogue as a body with Mrs Gandhi. This was unacceptable, not for those political parties which Mrs Gandhi sees as reflections of Congress-Communists and Socialists on the left and others on the right—but because the Hindu-rooted Jan Sangh was joined with them. Like it or not, the Jan Sangh has a larger mass base in northern India than any other of the opposition parties. How timid will Mrs Gandhi's relaxation be?

#### tht of jury trial

n Mr Victor Lissack For some time now, I have the correspondence and also orial comments in relation to the osed Criminal Law Bill and I compelled, as one of those who privileged to sign the James ort, to write to you at this time. rusing the various letters that appeared so far, one would k that by going for trial there automatic passport to acquittal. taps one might be allowed to been reported of a police ector, a county councillor and a magistrate, all of whom were sed in separate cases of shopus in different parts of the ttry who were convicted in spite exercising their precious that 10

hat really is the objection to suggestion as put forward in James Report? Presumably all id agree that if property ged any offender, be he a up or a barrow-boy, should be ricted. It is, however, true that es do acquit from time to time ninor cases, but this decision often nothing to do with the since, but is arrived at either of sympathy or a sense of tration at having to hear such rivial case, particularly if the rious trial that the jury has been carned with is something of a : serious nature.

hose who talk with such passion the narrow-minded and middles magistrate who always cons, also talk in glowing terms of clear-sighted and unbiased man. What they really are say-is let us keep available for all

a system of trial where the result attractive, but perhaps if magistrates often has little to do with the

evidence.
It is disturbing to read Mr Wallace's letter (January 14). By extracting suitable quotes from our Report, to suit his argument, he has made all sorts of suggestions which are not relevant to this subject. The underlying reasons for the recommendations, basically, are to get the right case in the right court, bearing in mind modern society, to try and counteract the increasing backlog of cases at the Crown Court and to modernize the system following a lengthy examination of all-

aspects of it.

The right of election is only touched upon very slightly by our Report, change of any sort always brings with it criticism. One only has to think back to the introduction of the breathalyser law and the hue and cry" that went up. Now it is accepted as being a very proper part of our motoring law.

Only one reader so far has drawn attention to the fact that anybody dealt with by magistrates has an automatic right of appeal before a judge of the Crown Court sitting with magistrates, where a complete re-hearing takes place. This right does not exist where a person uses the cherished right of election and is convicted by a jury at the Crown Court. In that event, only will an appeal be successful if it can be charge to the Court of Appeal that shown to the Court of Appeal that the trial judge's summing up con-tained some basic error, or alterna-tively that the verdict is unsafe or

unsatisfactory.
No one would presend that perfection exists in magistrates' courts, and indeed Chapter 7 of the Report contains a number of recommendations to make summary trial more

were given a diet that contained other ingredients than Section 1 committals or contested motoring cases, it would be demonstrated that they are just as capable of arriving at the "right" decision as juries

are alleged to do. Let us remember what Disraeli said, "Justice is truth in action".
Yours faithfully,
VICTOR J. LISSACK,

8 Bow Street. Covent Garden, WC2. January 14.

#### Death of Gary Gilmore

From Mr Hugh Klare Sir, The execution of Gary Gilmore and the circumstances that surrounded it will have filled many with revulsion. Here was a man who hated life, hated himself and hated others. He may have wanted to atone for killing. But, typically, he could only conceive of doing so by bringing about his own destruction. Twice he tried to kill himself but was forced to live on only to be executed in the name of a society which, by the avid following of this sordid affair, could not do other than degrade itself. Would ir not have been greatly

preferable, in this exceptional case, not to have prevented Gilmore's suicide and so have permitted all concerned to retain a measure of dignity? Yours truly, HUGH J. KLARE, 28 Pinville Court, Albert Road, Cheltenham,

Classestershire

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Release by France of Abu Daoud

From Mr Alistair Horne
Sir, Mr Bloch (January 14) is
absolutely right in deploring the
French release of Abu Daoud as a grave defeat in the war against international terrorism. But your leader, beaded "A Cowardly Decision", seems to smack rather too much of what the French content of the cont too much of what the French con-demn—and not always without reason—as "British hypocrisy". I should have thought it difficult to pass such a high-toned moral judgment without being assured that others would have acted less repre-hensibly in a similar situation.

Though they wight neckars have Though they might perhaps have

made a more prolonged show of "doing the right thing", do you honestly believe that, in the long honestly believe that, in the long run, any other contemporary government of Western Europe would have acted differently? The only effective way of dealing with Abu Daoud would have been to hand him over to Israeli justice; but would the present British Government (hardly distinguished for its civic courage in other spheres) have taken such a responsibility upon itself? I very much doubt it. One has only to recall the alacrity with which the Heath Government found a "legal formula" for stuffling off Leila Khaled, one of the paoneers of Palestician terrorism. Palestician terrorism.

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Purely on the track record of their previous handling of terrorists would any German Land or Federal Government have risked either sentencing Abu Daoud, or passing him on to Israel? Equally I doubt in Mact Germany has been vectoriously. West Germany has been notoriously
"soft" on terrorism in the past
(doubtless, in part, because she
realises that any suggestion of
excess authoritarian zeal now might only provoke on British television

only provoke on british the vision yet more odious reminiscences of a hersher German past).

If the Abu Daoud case proves soything, it is that there is no such thing as a wateright international thing as a waterright international agreement on terrorism, and if the about-to-be-ratified European Convencion is going to mean anything ar all, it will require a great deal more teeth put in it. It is no good just taking a holier-than-thou line against the French Government; it may not have acted brilliantly (though this does not amount to "cowardice") but at least it acted with a certain realism.

Yours etc.

Yours

DAVID ASTOR.

January 17.

would survive.

9 Cavendish Avenue, NW8.

Sir, As a member of Natsopa

machine room staff employed on the printing of The Times, I would like to answer some of the allegations made by Mr David Astor in the article which appeared in the newspaper on Friday January 14.

From Mr J. H. Moseley

Yours, e ALISTATE HORNE, Membury House, Ramsbury, Witshire Jenuary 16.

#### Atomic waste plant From Mr Walter Patterson

From Mr Walter Patterson.

Sir. Friends of the Earth would agree emphatically that "Windscale, Belvoir and Such" (January 8) involve considerations of national, and indeed international, importance, calling for a major policy hearing. It might then, for instance, be possible to ascertain from British Nuclear Fuels Ltd the basis for their allegations that delay in approving an oxide reprocessing plant at Windscale will cost BNFL overseas contracts. BNFL and the s contrac TS. BNFL and the French firm of Cogema are partners in United Reprocessors, a joint marketing organization formed in 1971, which also includes the West German firm of KEWA. When in early 1976 Cogema rook an into in the Japanese contract—still, by the way, unsigned, despite frequent reports to the contrary—they did so not as a competitor but as BNFL's partner. Did BNFL have any choice but to split the contract fifty fifty? Surely they would have been obliged to do so whenever their partner wished to participate. The same would presumably apply to KEWA—except that KEWA do not have a reprocessing plant, or any clear prospect of financing one. To claim that BNFL will "lose" overseas contracts requires that they identify a competitor for the business. No such competitor exists. No one except United Reprocessors wishes to become involved in an undertaking with such doubtful prospects. On the contrary, those who are involved, like Allied General and Nuclear Fuel Services in the US, want out, as quickly as possible, A major policy hearing might help to establish why BNFL think otherwise. To claim that BNFL will "lose" think otherwise. Yours sincerely, WALTER C. PATTERSON, Friends of the Earth Ltd, 9 Poland Street, W1.

#### The idea of Europe

From Mr Ronald Harwood Sir, In his speech yesterday (January 11) to the European Parliament, Mr Roy Jenkins, not for the first time, said that the idea of Enrope must be grafted into the lives of its people. He did not say how. When he delivers his more detailed policy statement to the Parliament in February, he may give some indication of what the Commission intends in this regard, though one does not hold out much hope for anything but political solutions to what is essentially a cultural problem.

important pronouncement on the privacy of MPs." Europe wears a harsh materialist face at present. The Commission concerns itself hardly at all with the artistic life of the member reexamine this second press release with the greatest care. Then per-haps a third press release should be states yet, historically, it is through insued that does make clear the intentions of the Council about the press and the private lives not only of MPs but of all cinizens, and perthe arts that ideas have been passed into the consciousness of people. If the Commission truly desires to seek ways in which the European ideal may become a reality, perhaps merit some protection. it should now consider creating a In my view the behaviour of the Press Council over this case; the language of their press releases; European Arts' Council that will encourage a continuous exchange of artistic activity between the mem-

the wet decision, was offensive. The fact that Lord Shaweross giving evidence to the Royal Commission ber nations.

The late Sir Peter Daubeny's World Theatre Season serves as a on the Press could not bring himself model of what can be achieved in the theatre: opera, music and ballet could be similarly organized. he was talking about, but thought it proper to bandy around my name Major exhibitions of painting and sculpture could be designed to is quite unjustified. travel from one country to another the subsidizing of translations of I have in my possession the transcript of a Capital Radio prothe substituting of translations of literature, especially contemporary literature, should be given high priority. All this would, I believe, do more to make the "idea of Europe" a reality than the constant repetition by politicians that this is their desired goal. During the course of the pro-gramme Nigel Demoster prevented Arthur Latham, MP, quoting from the original press release. Demoster a You are reading out something that was withdrawn by the Press Council, under representations from the Daily Mail and their Yours faithfully, RONALD HARWOOD,

Berrygrove House, West Liss,

Censorship by industrial action

involves no risk to those using in fashion? From Mr David Astor Sir, In reporting my account of some well known but seldom pub-licized Fleet Street practices, The Times accepted loss of a few thouthem".

If indeed the last qualifying remark is true, why make such inferences in the first instance? We are truly placed in the invidious position of "when did you sand pounds and the strains of an

industrial dispute. That was most unusual: in fact, I think it was almost unprecedented. I never dated go that far myself, as an editor. And few other newspapers, last beat your wife!" With regard to his assertions of overmanning in Fleet Street in general, a hard fact of life, well known to the printing world, although not perhaps to the public at large, is that akmost all national reviews, or television programmes have come within miles of touching on these taboo subjects. newspapers have in the recent past, mutually agreed to very substantial manning reductions. In point of fact, However, as no single article is likely to change the trabits of an industry and as The Times cannot in the case of my own department, we have had two such reductions be expected to go on getting itself closed down, how is news of the communication industry's vital internal affairs to reach the public? on our own newspaper. Is this, then,

an example of the unions increasing the burdens on proprietors? I don't want to say anything to dis-conrage newspapers from doing their best to be truthful about their affairs, but my own belief is that the best hope is that the BBC should develop a new kind of specialist: a media correspondent. He or she should actively investi-gate Fleet Street and all its trade associations and trade unions. not The real factor in the diminishing viability of the press is, at the present time, not one of overmenting. Most newspapers were perfectly viable a few years ago even before the era of staff shedding ever began.

If Mr Astor did some real heart searching, he must be perfectly well

associations and trade unions, not wait for these silent bodies to offer aware that the real threats to via-bility are the high costs of newsto explain themselves. print, the soaring cost of petrol, the increased rail charges, etc. etc. As for the fabulously high wages Anyone doing this job would need much probity and courage, includ-ing a willingness in be unpopular both with potential employers and with fellow journalists. What would As for the fabliously high wager printers are supposed to earn; with the exception of a few highly qualified men on piece work (who are invariably quoted to give the impression that we all earn the same), our basic rates of pay for working nights are most certainly nothing to write home about be useless would be another exer-cise like What the Papers Say, which implies that everything in the press is a racket, without mentioning those rackets which hit back. write home about.

ing those rackets which hit back. That exercise is merely one of the media trying to discredit another, through jungle warfare conducted by Maoist guerrillas. Something much more formidable would be needed of the BBC. The task would be to keep the freedom of our channels of communication themselves under some degree of continuing public surveillance. For a five night (seven hour) working week, we would compare very unfavourably with many other industries, and there is a total reliance upon various overtime payreliance upon various overtime payments in order to achieve anything like a worthwhile wage. Add to this the fact that we work Sundays and bank holiday nights throughout the year and forgo many social occasions in the process.

One final word on the subject of censorship. I would be quite happy for an editor to print whatever he

for an editor to print whatever be likes and assist him to print it uncensored. Providing of course that the same position in the newspaper was allocated upon the following day's issue for an uncensored reply. Yours, etc,

J. H. MOSELEY, Natsone (London Machine Branch), New Printing House Square. January 15.

His statement that the printing unions have increased the economic From Mr James Chater Sir, My congratulations on your refusal to yield to trade union pressure over your report on David Astor's article for Index on Censorship, and for today's splendid leader (January 15). If such courage were burdens on newspapers by insisting on unreasonably high manning levels and rates of pay, is so obviously untrue that I think the real facts of the matter ought to be presented to your readers. Far from being the villains of the piece, I would remind him that when his own newspaper. The Observer, was more widespread we would by now have overcome our most pressing problems. own newspaper, The Observer, was on the brink of financial extinction, Yours faithfully, it was the staff of the machine room (among others) who eventually agreed to considerable staffing JAMES CHATER, Crown House, Great Haseley, reductions in order that the paper Oxford. January 15.

219 Archway Road, No.

overweening power.

Yours, etc.

ANN CARR.

LUCY CARR,

Linton Court, Duke Street,

January 15.

Settle, North Yorkshire.

What is to be done?

From Mrs Ann Carr and others

Sir, We fully support your stand against censorship by the trade unions. We are Liberals and not concerned to "bash the unions",

but are much alarmed at their

Many of these bad long service with that perticular newspaper and From Mr Matthew Hoffman Mele Silen Sir, How did freedom of the press payments, which they agreed to accept in two six-monthly instalments. This, by the way, was the second staff reduction within a become freedom of the editor (to print what he slone wishes)? "Press" and "editor" are not SYDODYDIS. Yours faithfully, MATTHEW HOFEMAN,

As a result of this "non-coopera-tion" The Observer was given a new lease of life, and the discarded employees were forced to seek work elsewhere. Of all persons least qualified to malign working printers. I would therefore presume it to be

Another of the allegations is that production is sometimes haited by members of chapels holding meetings during the press run, but he conveniently omits to add that these meetings are sometimes provoked by some arbitrary decision on the part of management itself.

He alleges sabotage on the part of machine room employees by devious methods of interferring with the running of the press, and then adds in the same breath that " as such acts can never be proved, it

From Mrs Maureen Colquhoun, MP

surprisingly rewritten under pres-sure from the Daily Mail. The opening paragraph which roundly criticized them and their tactics

was changed and watered down. A

new paragraph was inserted which read:

"The Council goes on to make an

I suggest Lord Shawcross should

haps in this process I too would

to reveal the name of the newspaper

does show a bias to the press which

gramme called Invasion of Privacy.

lawyers. . . . You ere reading a press

for Northampton North (Labour)

Press Council ruling

release which was withdrawn and if that had gone out we would have sued. . . That was withdrawn and a new press release was put out. . .

Sir, It ill becomes Lord Shawcross, Chairman of the Press Council, in accuse MPs of not getting their facts right (Letters, January 7).

It really is time that he got his facts right. It was written up in The Times and in the Daily Mail."

Was Lord Shawcross aware that was Lord Snawcross aware man this had happened, and if he was aware of it is it not disgraceful that the Daily Mail has the power to change, under threat of suing, a Press Council press release in order to make it more favourable to that But perhaps he is tnaware that the Press Council actually issued two press releases and that the one that I received (and Lord Shaw-cross?) was withdrawn, and a second release was issued that was

Yours, etc. MAUREEN COLQUHOUN, House of Commons. Tanuary 8.

From Mr Paul Sieghart Sir, On other occasions when Lord Shawcross has written to you as Chairman of the Press Council, his letters have been admirably clear. That I fail to understand his last one (January 17), must therefore be my fault. Might I ask him, through you, to relieve my confusion?

(1) What "redress" is it to some one whose privacy has been infringed to be told, in public and after the event, that the Press Council agreed with him?

(2) Am I quite wrong in seeming to remember that, not all that many years ago, the editor of a national newspaper announced that he would Press Council announced that this would constitute an indefensible infringement of its code, the editor published them notwithstanding, and his newspaper continues to thrive?

Devising laws which would protect privacy without fettering the press as an essential guardian of our freedom of speech and opinion is admittedly difficult, though I for one believe that it is not impossible given some effort and common sense. But Lord Shawcross has not yet persuaded me that the Press Council's present powers are enough to make the continued search for such a law unnecessary.

Yours, etc. PAUL SIEGHART, 6 Gray's kon Square, WC1. January 18.

### Is virginity now

From Mr Jon Wynne-Tyson Sir, While holding no brief for some aspects of Barbara Cartland's gluti-nous picture of ideal men and women, I suspect that the bulk of Western males still prefer, nowever illogically and unworthily, to marry "pure" women. It may be unfair of them, but they do.

And is it surprising? There is something singularly unattractive about those male-aping, aggressive and licentious women who so often claim to represent the liberated condition. Nor are the academic Mss who have written so passionately very representative.

A probably large majority of women distrist pornography, seek a man's love (however shallow) if not his idealizing, and are adversely affected by emulating his pro-miscuity. Although they may not receive quite the adoration, worship and cosseting that Miss Cartland feels is their right, they may be fair enough to admit that the average unliberated man, at the end of a typical day in the rat race, has not quite enough energy to live up to her operetra-like vision of the adoring husband-lover.

adving husband-lover.

Nevertheless, if women could aim at being more feminine, in the best sense of that word, and less masculine, in the worst, their status and influence would rocket. Miss Cartland's reasoning is not all such irrational drivel as Ma Bishop

However unincellectual her novels may be, Miss Cartland has ber dainty feet planted firmly on the ground and knows a lot more about what most men and women seek in a relationship than do most liberated belligerents. That is why her books sell like hot cakes, for all that their icing is a sickly, melting Yours sincerely.

JON WYNNE-TYSON, Paddocks, Fontwell, West Sussex January 16.

From Miss Rosalind Stewart Sir, I feel that Patricia Bishop (Letters, January 15), in lamenting the "appalling lack of discrimination among contemporary readers", is taking Miss Cartland's harmless pap too seriously. People, while reading her novels, may have fantasies of being "loved, adored, worshipped, cosseted and protected", but would not wish for it in real life. Would Agatha Christie fans really want to find bodies in their libraries? libraries ?

Yours faithfully, ROSALIND STEWART, 16 Ferncroft Avenue, NW3. January 15.

#### Subsidized phone calls From Mr Richard Wood, MP for

Bridlington (Conservative) Sir, When I paid my telephone bill recently, I found that the calls I had made cost me more than double identical calls from a public telephone box. I no doubt ought to pay phone box. I no doubt ought to pay for the extra convenience of tele-phoning in comfort; but I assume that this is covered by the rental of my telephone. Beyond the rental, I pay one penny more for each "unit" than I should be charged in a call box; and, finally, VAT on the total. I cleanland maintain my own telephone and the srea surrounding it; and, hopefully, do not have to protect it against vandals.

In reply to my comments on this, the Post Office tells me that "our customers generally pay charges that contain an element to enable us to continue to provide this service (call

continue to provide this service (cail boxes) to the community at large ". Whenever I press for easier terms on behalf of the old, poor, disabled or otherwise housebound in my constituency, the Post Office tells me (no doubt rightly) that it is not operating a social service. I still find it difficult to understand, in these circumstances, why call box users should be indiscriminately subsidized, while many others with greater needs have to pay the economic rate. economic rate. Yours faithfully, RICHARD WOOD. House of Commons.

#### Sleeper reservations

January 15.

From Mr Sheridan Morley Sir, Complaints about Eritish Rail, though not exactly infrequent in your columns, are inclined to be repetitive and largely concerned with money or punctuality. I think I may have discovered an altogether new area of railway misery: sleeper

reservations. Wishing to travel to Liverpool one afternoon, fulfil an engagement there that evening and be back in London early the next morning, I presented myself at a large Euston desk marked "Sleeper Reserva-

"I would like to book and buy a sleeper ticket from Liverpool for one night next week."
"No."

"You mean you're full that night?" Not necessarily." You mean there's no sleeper from Liverpool?"

"Yes, there is a sleeper. No, you can't book a berth on it."
"Why not?"

"Because we have no allocation from Liverpool. Sleeper reservations to Liverpool, yes; from Liverpool,

"So what do I do?" "You book it at Liverpool." "But I shan't be there until the afternoon before the night I want to travel back. Will they still have vacancies by then?"

"Quite possibly not."
"So what should I do?" "Come back the next day instead."

Inefficiency is one thing; but a mind that can work out Catch-22 situations of this geographic complexity must surely have a future somewhere more exciting than a railway booking office. Government, maybe?

Yours sincerely, SHERIDAN MORLEY. Punch, 23-27 Tudor Street, EC4, January 14.



#### **COURT** CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM January 18: The Lady Susan riussey has succeeded the Hon Mary Morrison as Lady in Wairing to The Queen.

YORK HOUSE
January 18: The Duchess of Kent
today launched the new bulk
carrier Welsh Voyager for Welsh
Ore Carriers Limited at the shipyard of Austin and Pickersgill
Limited in Sunderland.
Her Royal Highness, who
travelled in an aircraft of The

#### Forthcoming marriages

Mr A. J. Barr-Sim and Mrs E. S. MacGregor The engagement is announced between Andrew John Barr-Sim, Blair House, New Street, Henley-on-Thames, and Evelyn Susan MacGregor, Spring Cottage, Greys Road, Henley-on-Thames.

Dr D. W. Cranston The engagement is announced hetween David, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. W. Cranston, of Bywater, Laleham, Middlesex, and Rosemary, only daughter of Dr and Mrs R. C. Bird, of Sadlers, Inkpen, Berkshire.

Mr E. H. Elwes and Miss M. F. House

The engagement is approunced hetween Edward, son of the late Major J. H. Elwes, MC. and Mrs I. P. I. Talbut, of Colesbourne, and Margaret, daughter of Dr R. J. House and the late Mrs J. M. House, of Tewkesbury.

Dr G. Gabriel and Miss L. H. Munn

end Miss L. H. Monn
The engagement is announced between Gabriel, only son of the late Mr. Z. P. Gabriel and of Mrs E. Gabriel, of 13 Southmead Close. Cheriton, Folkestone, and Lindsey Hamilton, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs A. Monn, of Avenue Jules Cécar 30, 1150 Brussels, and The Larchos, Aiderley Edge, Cheshire. ley Edge, Cheshire.

Mr N. P. Mine and Miss C. A. Fawcus
The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs P. H. M. Milne, of The Old Farmhouse, Steeple Morden, Royston, Hertfordshire, and Cherry, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. J. Fawcus, of Dunchurch-Winton Hall, near Rugby, Warwickshire.

Air G. S. Thomson Gibson and Miss C. S. Beauchamp The engagement is announced between Graeme, son of the Rev T. and Mrs Thomson Gibson, of Eadminton, and Carollae, daughter of Commander I. L. S. Beguof Commander J. L. S. Beau-champ, RN (retd), of Bratton, Wiltshire, and Mrs J. Beauchamp,

Mr J. W. Watson and Miss J. S. Morrish The engagement is announced between John, son of Colonel S. J. Watson, MBE, and Mrs Watson, of Beilingarane, Clonmel, co Tipperary, and Julia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. K. Morrish, Ham Farm, Wellington, Somerset.

of Kensington.

Marriages

and Miss G. Maicoim

The marriage took place on January 15 at New Haven, Connecticut, between Mr Mark Lynch and Miss Gafl Malcolm The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Mr A. Macleod
and Miss M. Ashraf
The marriage took place at Crown
Court Church of Scotland.
London, on January 15, 1977,
between Mr Alistair Macleod.
elder son of Mr and Mrs Kenneth
Macleod Creeneth and Miss

Macleod, Greenock, and Miss Maryan Ashraf, elder daughter of the late Ashra Mond Ashraf and of Mrs Helen Ashraf, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire. The Rev J. M. Scott officiated.

Today's engagements

Exhibition: Unofficial Russian

art, Institute of Contemporary Arts, Nash House, The Mall,

Arts, Nam House, The Mall, 12-5.
Exhibition of New South Wales ctamps, Gibbons Gallery, 399
Strand, 9.30-4.30.
Lunchtime music: Jane Burier, soprano, Susan Smith, clarinet, Jonafhan Alder, plano, St Olave's Church, City, 1.05.

Royal Mews, open to public, Buckingham Palace Road, 2-4.

The Right Rev Dr S. F. Allison, 70; Major-General Raymond

70; Major-General Raymond Briggs, 82; Lord Glentoran, 65; Colonel Terence Maxwell, 72; Sir Joseph Pauron, 81; Sir Victor Raikes. 76; Sir John Ritchie, 73; the Earl of Wemyss and March, 65.

Birthdays today

Lieutenancy of

Greater London

Queen's Flight, was attended by Muss Jane Pugh. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

January 18: Princess Alexandra this afternoon visited the House of St Barnabas-in-Soho. Miss Mona Mitchell was in attendance.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will attend a service in Westminster Abbey to mark the sixtieth anniversary of the formation of the women's Services on

Queen Elizabeth the Qcass kiother, Chancellor of Loodes University, will preside at a ceremony for the presentation of degrees at the Albert Hall on March 9

A memorial service for Admiral Sir Deric Holland-Martin will be held in Worcester Cathedral on Friday, January 21, at 2.30 pm. Serving naval officers attending abould weer uniform, with swords and medals.

M. J. C. Cointepas
and Miss I. M. Jazdowska
The engagement is announced
between Jean Claude, son of M
and Mrne G. Cointepas, of Paris
and Port aux Poules, Algeria, and
Isabella, daughter of Mr and Mrs
O. B. Jazdowski, of 27 Avonmore
Road, London, W14 8RP.

Mr I. C. Davis and Miss P. C. Bloss
The engagement is announced between Ian Charles, son of Mr and Mrs W. G. Davis, of I Lawn Close, Swanley, Kent, and Frances Celia, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. F. Moss, of Rosebery House, Inverkeithing, Fife.

Mr K. R. Good
and Miss F. S. Krish
The engagement is announced
between Keith, younger con of Mr
and Mrs W. T. Good, of Robertsbridge, Sussex, and Felicity, elder
daughter of Mr and Mrs I. R.
Krish, of Farnham, Surrey.

Air D. W. Hardy and Ailss J. E. Carrington
The engagement is announced between David, son of Air and Airs C. T. Hardy, of Johannesburg, South Africa, and Jill. daughter of Mr and Mrs A. F. Carrington, of Mill Rill, Loudon.

Mr S. P. Markeson

and Miss I. J. Dunt The engagement is announced between Stephen Peter, younger son of Mr and Mrs M. Markeson. of Church Crescent, Friern Barnet. and Isobel Janc, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs O. A. Dunt, of Ashfield, Ardleigh, Essex.

Mr J. S. Mehew and Miss C. J. Plumbly and Miss C. J. Plumbly
The engagement is announced
between James Stanley, son of
Mrs C. N. Mehew, of St Albans,
Hertfordshire, and the late Mr S.
Mehew, CBE, and Christine Janet,
elder daughter of Mr and Mrs
S. J. Plumbly, of Quidenham, Norfolk.

Mr J. Passmore and Miss D. Willmott and Miss D. Willmott
The engagement is announced between Jerenty, second son of Mr and Mrs John Passmore, of Florance House, Groombridge, Tunbridge Wells, and Diana, youngest daughter of Mr Peter Willmott, of Linden Close, Rufforth, York, and the late Mrs Elanche Willmott.

Mr M. R. Vileland-Boddy and Miss A. M. Hagnes
The engagement is aunounced between Martin, son of Mrs E. A. Harley, of Malaga, Spain, and Mr R. M. Boddy, of London, S.W.13, and Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. D. Hughes, of Ewell, Surrey.

Dinners

Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress entertained the Court of Aldermen, the Sheriffs and the High Officers of the Corporation and their ladies, at dinner at the Mansion House last night.

Doll expected to

### Unofficial Soviet artists' work on show

By Kenneth Gosling Arts Reporter

Western artists were criticized yesterday by one of a group who are taking part in a London exhibition of unofficial art from the Soviet Union, the most comprehensive yet staged.

uensive yet staged.

Mr Victor Kulbak said: "They tend to be trying to do something which will shock the public, but the main task of the artist, after all, is to create beauty, which all of us need at the present time."

He said there should be an attempt to get out of the vicious circle where the modern artist was trying to frighten the public and the public was frightened of the artist.

me public was regulated to the artist.

Mr Alexander Glezer, who left Russla with half the 170 paintings in the exhibition at the ICA Gallery, which is open until February 27, said that when a similar exhibition was opened in Moscow, 40 artists were refused permission to show. They decided to go to Leningrad to show in private flats, but when they arrived there they were detained by the police and sent back to Moscow.

One of them, Mr Oscar Rabin, was arrested and spent 24 hours in a police station. "I telephoned him yesterday and found he was under house arrest, surrounded by policemen and unable to get out", Mr Glezer said.

nolicemen and unable to get out",
Mr Glezer sald.
A letter from Mr Rabin and
others had been sent to him and
it disclosed that the trade union
organization formed for unofficial
artists to join was under the control of the KGB.
Atr Michael Scammell, director Air Michael Scammell, director of the Writers and Scholars Educational Trust, which organized the exhibition, said he doubted whether admission charges would do more than cover the cost of organizing it.

Any profits would be divided three ways, between the ICA, the Russian Museum in Exile, near Paris, and the trust.

Composer's visit: Aram Khacha-

Paris, and the trust.
Composer's visit: Aram Khachaturian, the Armenian composer,
who is conducting two concerts of
his own music in London next
week with the London Symphony
Orchestra, answered questions
arout his country's artistic policy
rowards its composers at a press
conference yesterday (a Staff
keporter writes).

the Suests were:

The Ambassador of the Dominkon Republic, the Jamacan High Commissioner, Serior Milion Massina, Serior Andres Jamacan High Commissioner, Serior Milion Massina, Serior Andres Jamacan St. William Atkins, Str. John Stow, Mr E. Ye Whitle, Mr F. Mariin, Mr A. Warin, Mr R. Ye Kapre, Mr G. J. McGilliwray, Mr R. Ye Rymbis, Mr J. Peter Ford, Mr G. L. Walkdon and Mr S. M. Sackenzie,

Luncheon

Company of Tobacco Pipe Makers and Tobacco Blenders

and Tobacco Blenders
The Company of Tobacco Pipe
Makers and Tobacco Blenders
held a dinner at Barber-Surgeons'
Hall yesterday for the livery and
their guests. The principal guest
and speaker was Sir Antony Part
and the other speakers were the
Renter Warden, Air G. H. Ross
Goobey, and the Master, Mr R. S.
Hargreayes. Foreign and Commonwealth Office Mr Edward Rowlands, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a luncheon at 1 Cariton Gardens yesterday in honour of Rear-Admiral Ramón Jiménez, Secretary of State for External Relations, Dominican Republic. Among the guests were:

Coningsby Club
The Coningsby Club entertained
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, at
dinner at the Carton Club last
night. Mr Roger Evans was in the

Royal Society of Medicine Sir-Gordon Wolstenholme, Presi-dent of the Royal Society of Medicine, accompanied by Lady Wolstenholme, presided at a council dinner at 1 Wimpole Street yesterday evening. The principal guest and speaker was Lord Kiforandon.





Mr Alexander Glezer with his still-life, Fish and Pravda Above is a self-portrait by Oscar Rabin.

Asked why be thought his music had generally found favour with the Soviet musical authorities, unlike that of some of his compatriots, he said: "Perhaps you know hetter than me. I don't

When asked about a symptony.

or poem-symphony which had attracted criticism about twenty

years aso, his first answer was:
"So much time has passed since
that I cannot remember
mount it." He said later that it was true that twenty years ago there was criticism but that afterwards be and Prokoviev and other com-posers had continued their work and had received their rewards.

25 years ago

#### Churchill's address From The Times of Friday, Jan 18, 1952.

Dr Johnson once said that to talk with Burke cailed forth all his power. So it may be said that to address a joint session of Congress with half the American nation hanging on his words calls forth all the splendid powers of the Prime Minister. His short speech yesterday, frank, robust and admirably phrased, was perfectly designed to remind his audience of Britain's enduring greatness and ability to overtome difficulties — and of "the abiding power of the British Empire". If Britain was finding the burden of rearmament almost more than she could bear after so many other trials, he had come "not to ask for gold, but for steel, not for favours but for equipment".

1897, and to University College, the Abbey the devotion he had Oxford, as an exhibitioner in given to his college chapel. His

Oxford. as an exhibitioner in 1902. He joined the staff of Lancing College in 1906, remaining there until 1918, when be succeeded Selwyn as Warden of Radley College. He had in the meantime taken holy orders, being ordained by the Bishop of Chichester in 1911. At Radley Fox carried out successfully the reorganization

his life.

which had become necessary as the result of war conditions; but his constitution, never robust, gave way under the strain. On medical advice he resigned in 1924, and accepted the invitation of his old friend and former colleague, R. H. C.

Tron curtain countries were always keen to extol the victues of their system; Western countries tended to catalogue their doubts. "It would be very much better if we pointed to our achievements", she said.

Gift to museum

complete the Scottish Agricultural Museum, Ingliston, Lothian.

£25,000 for theatre

Correction

In the Middle Temple awards published on January 14 S. Moriarty attended Chichester High School for Boys, not Winchester.

#### OBITUARY

### SIR DAVID WATHERSTON Major role in the creation of Malaysia

David Charles Watherston was born on February 26, 1907, and educated at Westminster School and Christ Church, Oxford. He became a Cadet in the Malayan Civil Service in 1930 and was seconded to the Colonial Office from 1939 to 1944. He was at the Malayan Planning Unit in 1944-45 and was with the British Military Administration, Malaya, in 1945-45.

In 1946, soon after the libera-tion of Malaya from the Japanese occupation, he was appointed Secretary of the Con-stitutional Working Committee which created the new Federa-tion of Malaya to replace the unhappy Malayan Union. His unflagging industry, his patent integrity, his sincerity and his modesty resorved confidence in and fears which had flared up in the aftermath of the war and caxieries for the future.

The new Federation successfully established then had to sured that the homework had face the emergency caused by the Maleyan Communist Party's resort to armed terrorism. firm base.

with Doug Scott by the difficult south-west face of the mountain.

For him it was the high point of a remarkable climbing career

and the success by a British

expedition was acknowledged as carrying the sport of moun-

taineering into a new epoch.

Haston was born near Edinburgh where his father was a

the world began on a railway embankment near his home at Currie. His natural ability as

a rock climber and technician on snow and ice quickly placed him in the front ranks of Scot-

British attempts on the north

Birt, to go to South Africa as a temporary assistant master at

Diocesan College, Rondebosch,

until his health was restored.
In later times Fox used to

speak of the years at Ronde-

bosch as among the happiest of

He threw himself into his

work with zest; his health quickly returned; and he might

have been content to stay there indefinitely if he had not been

invited to return to Oxford in 1929 as Fellow and Dean of Divinity at Magdalen College.

He remained at Magdalen until 1942. The ordering of the Chapel services was his first

MR DOUGAL HASTON

tish mountaineers.

films and documentaries and

He took part in the earliest understudied for Clint East-

wall of the Eiger and carried part of which was shot on the out a remarkable singlehanded Eiger north wall.

CANON ADAM FOX

Sir David Watherston, KBE, David Watherston was selected to be Secretary for Defence and to be Secretary for Defence and to a major role in founding today's Malaysia, died on January 16 at the age of 69.

David Charles Watherston was selected to be Secretary for Defence and to be Secretary for Defence and Internal Security in 1948 and Internal Security in 1948 and was at the centre of the struggle that his colleagues too watch with delight the control of the secretary points and its at the control of the secretary points and its at the control of the secretary points and its at the control of the secretary points and its at the control of the secretary points and its at the control of the secretary points and as well as to endicate the control of the secretary points and as well as to endicate the control of the secretary points and as well as to endicate the control of the secretary points and the secretary points and the control of the secretary poin

with their distressing setoacks, until in 1952 he was promoted to be Chief Secretary.

In this his final post in Malaya he carried a gruelling burden of work under Sir Gerald Templer and Sir Donald March 1968. Gerald Templer and Sir Donald MacGillivray. Slowly with the full cooperation of the political leaders they stemmed and finally turned the tide until in 1957 they were able to hand over a healthy Malaya to an independent elected Government under its first Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman.

David Warherston returned

David Watherston returned briefly to the Far East in 1962 as a member of the Cobbold Commission to help in ensuring sound foundations for an en-larged Federation of Malaysia to take in the two Borneo Stares of Sarawak and Saban, modest; reserved confidence in British in: Litions and went far to calm the communal jealousies his ability and his personality and farsy which had flared up won respect and confidence, and paved the way to general acceptance of the new Federation. Equally important, he en-

climber and took a leading part in the development of winter

Himalayas he took part in the successful British ascent on the

Alaska in Alpine style and with-out the support of a large

wood, the film star, in a thriller

gifts as a preacher at last found full recognition.

He enjoyed life in London immensely, taking special pleasure in membership of the Court of the Skinners' Company,

to which he bad been apprenticed when he was an undergraduate, and was Master of the Company in 1947-48. He was made Canon Emeritus of Chichester, and in 1947 the honorary DD of St Andrews was conferred on him. He busied himself with a multiplicate of

for example Plato for Pleasure (1946); English Hymns and Hymn Writers (1947); Meet the Greek Testament (1952); John Mill and Richard Bentley

Inge.

to which he had been appren-

colonial administration (
ston was Director of Pe
and Group Personnel
to Tube Investments Lt
1959 to 1974. He was a
ber of the Council of Civersity and was chairman
Committee for the Dipl
Management Studies as
being vice-chairman
Council of the Foundat
Management Studies Management Studies member of the Council dustry for Managemen cation. He was made a DSc of Aston University and was a Knight lobe. John. He was made a CMG

It is thanks to David

watch with delight the ( ing success of the Fet of Malaysia and its at

people in a most c world. Few, if any, men the Malayan Civil Serv more for Malaysia and more modestly.

aud a KBE in 1956. In : was made an Hon Pa Mangku Negara by Mal He married, in 1933, daughter of W. Hopkirk They had two sons as daughters.

### SIR ANTHON

CBE, died on January 17

Mr Dougal Haston, who has been killed by an avalanche while skiing at Leysin in Switzerland, was pre-eminent in the small but highly competitive world of professional mountaineacing. He was 35.

In September, 1975, he reached the summit of Everest with Dong Scott by the difficult and saw service in the World War with th Battalion, The King's Liv Regiment. He was twice tioned in dispatches.

In 1921 he joined Colonial Office and was ing at Leysin.

Haston was a lean, powerful mountaineering in the Alos where he climbed many of the classic difficult routes. In the burgh where his father was a baker. He studied philosophy at Edinburgh University but mourtaineering quickly dominated his life. A climbing climbed the difficult route on career which led to the hizhest and most difficult summits of the world began on a value. Assistant Secretary, Cabinet Office, and subsec reverse at private secret Neville Chemberlain; W Churchill (for two se periods); C. R. Attlee Anthony Eden. From 1: 1956 he was Secretar ex-edition.

He wrote an aurobiography
In High Places and a second
book on the Eiger. He took
nort in a number of television

to marked advantage.

There can he no doub
in this very important s

Mr Dennis Lawson, who Director of the Fire Rese-Station at Borehamwood 1958 until his retirement 1971, died suddenly on Jan

at the Horse of the Year Sm at Wembley. For about 20 yes he had been a steward at t Royal Show and was in dema-as a judge of ponies. The gre-est successes with a pony br-by him were gained by Pret Polly who won almost wherey

She went.

Deptford farmed a lar acreage of arable land in il Fens around the Isle of E. and was an acknowledge expert on potatoes and sug-

Mr Victor Alexander Ga coyne-Cecil, High Sheriff C Essex in 1949 and a Depul Lieutenant for the county, die

fetch £600 sold for £1,400 At Phillips's Marylebone sale rooms yesterday a private buyer paid £1.400 for a German bleque-headed "googly-eyed" doll (estimate £600). A collectors' sale totalled £10,078.

In a photographic section an early mahogany slide projector went to Vintage Cameras for £440

testimate £400). In a sale of furniture and works of art by Philips the collection of a West Sussex woman who died recently made £48,500.

Turpin paid £4,200 for a set of eight George III mahogany dining chairs in the Hepplewhite taste (estimate £4,000) and Baxter £2,300 for a Hepplewhite mahogany Pembroke table (estimate £7,000). \$2,000).

In a £34,290 Phillips sale of hooks a collection of trade cards and billheads of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries went to Ambrose for £1,250 (estimate £1,000). Fairburn paid £1,600 for 64 volumes of The Sporting Magazine to 1824 (estimate £300).

At Sotheby's sale of Chinese works of art, Ming and later ceramics realized £26,885. A Ch'ien Lung 24-piece familie-rose part service went to a private buyer for £1,200 and another buyer paid £700 for a late Ch'ien Lung blue-rose the control of the later chinese later than the later chinese later than the later chinese lat and-white basin, 27 inches in dis-

Marchauson, a London dealer, gave 6500 for a pair of K'ang Hsi plates and D. J. K. Wright paid 5540 for a Ch'ien Lung softpaste blue-and-white vase.

Our Stamps Correspondent writes:
British chemists, all Nobel Prize wingers are ranged on stamps to

British chemists, all Nobel Prize winners, are named on stamps to be issued on March 2 to mark the centenary of the Royal Institute of Chemistry.

Professor Sir Derek, Barton is featured on the 81p stamp and the late Sir Norman Haworth on the 10p stamp.

Professors A. J. P. Martin and A. L. M. Syrge share the 11p stamp, Sir William and Sir Lawrence Bragg the 12p stamp.

executive of Visuews, the tele-vision newsfilm agency, from January 1, 1978.

Vice-Admiral Sir John Hayes to he Lord Lieutenant, Highland Region (Ross and Cromarty), in succession to the late Captain A. F. Matheson, RN.

A. F. Matheson, RN.
Colonel W. J. M. Ross, to be
Lord Lieutenant. Dumfries and
Galloway Region (District of
Stewartry) in succession to the
lite Colonel G. G. M. Batchelor.
Mr. Timothy Reynish, rator in
charge of the postgraduate conducting course. Royal Northern
College of Music. to be head of
the school of wind and percussion
from August 1. in succession to
Mr. Philip Jones.
Miss Marion White, of Harpenden.

Latest appointments

The following have been appointed deputy lieutenants of Greater London:
Mr L. E. R. Bentall, Mr J. I. Cohen. Mr L. Freeman. Lady Macked of Borre Mr M. Mr. Malor Poor Mr. M. Mr. Malor Poor Mr. M. Poor Mr. R. Popp. Mr G. Raman, Colonal G. D. Thompson, Mr A. Wicks.

Latest appointments include : Rear-Admiral C. Rusby, to be promoted vice-admiral on March 31 and to be Flag Officer Scotland and Northern Ireland. Commander Northern Sub-Area Bastern Atlantic and Commander Nore Sub-Area Channel in June.

in succession to Vice Admiral Sir Authory Troup. Rear-Admiral J. M. Forbes to be promoted vice admiral on March 21. Lieutenant-General Sir Peter Whiteley to be Commander-In-Chief Allied Forces Northern Europe in the rank of general, in succession to the late General Sir John Sharp.

Sir Charles Curran, who retires as Director-General of the BBC, to be managing director and chief

Miss Marion White, of Harpeoden, to be president of the British section of Intercoffure, the organization for owners of women's hairdressing salons. Latest wills Mr Arthur Frederick Busk, of Tunbridge Wells, left £270,090 net. After various personal bequests he left a tenth of the residue each to the National Trust, the National Art-Collections Fund and the Seven Springs Cheshire Home, Tunbridge Wells, three-fortieths cach to the Henry VI Charity and Hernford College, Oxford, and a twentieth to the YMCA.

Other estates include (net, before

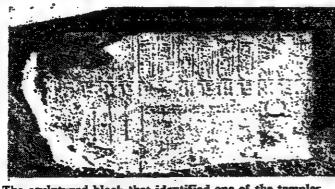
### Archaeology report Saggara: Temple site found

The Egypt Exploration Society's and investigating this and another expedition to Saqqara, the necropolis of the ancient Egyptian capital, Memphis, has identified with certainty the site of the temple town of the dog-headed of embalmer god, Anubis. It was famous as the quarter of the embalmers, and is mentioned in the last six centuries BC.

The town was enclosed by a wast rectangular mud-brick wall within which three, if not four, temple completes with their ancillary buildings have been located. The temples were built on a series of stone terraces rising up the desert cliff. Sacred ways led up from Memphis by ramps or stairways of granite. From the city, the limestone temples must have presented a fine appearance.

A scalptured block from a temple wall-scene, showing Ptolemy V Epiphanes (203-181 BC) censing before Anubis, has identified one of the temples. It came from the last of three phases of temple building. At some time in the Roman period the pagan temples were destroyed, and the site was later resettled by Christians. The expedition is surveying

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The sculptured block that identified one of the temples.

### Science report

### Toxicology: Flameproofing and cancer

Two groups of scientists have produced evidence suggesting that cancer may be caused by a chemical that is commonly used in the United States but not in Britain to flameproof children's nightclothes. The evidence is indirect but has been obtained by a method that is rapidly being adopted as a laboratory test for chemicals that present a cancer hazard.

It has been confirmed by Pro-fessor Bruce Ames, the inventor of the bacterial test system, and his colleague, Artene Blum. They have also unearthed the fact that tris-BP can contain, as a minor impurity, a chemical that is known to be carcinogenic in animals.

fo be carcinogenic in animals.

Assuming, and it is quite clearly only an assumption at present, that tris-BP is carcinogenic in humans, and making considerable further assumptions as to its absorption and potency. Professor Ames and Dr Blum have calculated that there could be a greater risk of a child's getting cancer from chemicals used to flameproof its nightclothes than of its being burnt had the fabric not been treated. adopted as a laboratory test for chemicals that present a cancer hazard.

The results of the tests have been confirmed by other indirect exidence from animal feeding tests will not be available until later this year.

The chemical on which suspicion has been cast is tris (2,3-dibromopropyf) phosphate or tris-BP.

The possibility that tris-no causes cancer has arisen from the recent development of new screening tests.

The most flaunted of the tests and the one that has cast doubts on the safety of tris-BP involves the use of specially developed strains of bacteria that are prone to readily detectable mutations. Most chemicals induce mutations. Most

#### Top press award goes to Mr Michael Davie Mr Michael Davie of The

Mr Michael Davie of The Observer yesterday won the Journalist of the Year award of Granada Television's What the Papers Say programme.

The panel failed to make a Newspaper of the Year award because there was "no clear and outstanding candidate".

The Reporter of the Year award goes to Mr Nigel Wade, staff correspondeur of The Daily Telegraph in Peking.

Other awards were: Political columnist: Mr Andrew Alexander, Daily Mail; cartoonist: Mr Wally Fawkes, who is Trog of the Daily Mail and The Observer; Geraid Marry award for Lasting contribute.

Party Man : cartoomst: hir Wally Fawkes, who is Trog of the Daily Mail and The Observer; Gerald Barry award for lasting contribu-tion to journalism: Mr Philip Hope-Wallace, opera critic of The After presenting the awards Mrs Thatcher, Leader of the Opposi-tion, praised the press and tele-vision as the bulwarks of free-

# The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust has given £15,000 towards the Scottish Country Life Museums Trust's £90.000 appeal to

Dr George Rylands, chairman of the Cambridge Arts Theatre Trust since 1946, has given the trust £25,000.

### MR DZEMAL BIJEDIC

Remigio Paone, the well-known Italian theatre manager and impresario, has died at the age of 76. He had been the director of some of the leading 64. A student of the diabetes for the diabetes of the diabetes for the diabetes fo responsible for giving the Italian public a chance to see the Old Vic company; the Comedie Française; the American national ballet; and the opera of Peking.

Mr Dzemal Bijedić, Prime Minister of Yugoslavia, died vesterday in a plane crash near Sarajevo. He had been Prime Minister since 1971. Not a well-known figure to the public before that date, he had been a party official in his native Herzegovina in the late 1930s, having joined the Yugoslav Communist Youth Group in 1938. 1938.

After the German invasion of that he might be the target of Yugoslavia in 1941 he joined Croatian terrorists.

> specialists Emmanuelle and Louis Hedon, Loubatières began his experiments into the disease in 1933 and was generally credited with the most important work in diabetes research after the discovery of insulin.

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#### BEVIR Anthony Bevir,

age of 81.
The fourth son of Bevir he was educated and Hertford College,

secretary from 1926 to 1 the Rt Hon W. G. A. O Gore (later the fourth Harlech) when Parlian Under-Secretary of Sta the Colonies. In 1939 he t Secretary, Appointments to the Minister and in this po-suits and experience were

-the Prime Minister's p with regard to Lords Lient crc-he raised the standto a quite remarkable d and came to be resard Canon Adam Fox, Canon of Westminster 1942-63, Archdeacon of Westminster 1951-59, and sub-Dean of Westminster 1959-63, died on January 17 at the Poetry in 1938, and took end-level of 92 quite ovestandingly reliab knowledgeable both by Ministers and at Lambeth "contacts" were legion maintained by constant t age of 93.

less trouble with the preparaling up and down the co
Adam Fox was born at Kensington on July 15, 1883, the son
of William Henry Fox. He went
a canonry at Westminster
of Winchester as a scholar in Abbey, and now transferred to Crown livings.

He took immense pein discover the conditions of office to which he was re mending an appointment is motter of henefices he was consult with church was and others such as the deru. Similarly in respect histoprics he would most fully obtain the views of Dean and Chanter as also to of leading laity in the dis 

advice.

He merried in 1935
Sidney, daughter of Dom himself with a multitude of affairs, but always found time to read, and also to write a number of small books, mostly of a semi-theological character, MR DENNIS LAWS

(1954); Plato and the Christian (1957); and God is an Artist (1957). In 1960 he was awarded a James Tait Black Memorial Prive for his biography of Dean Born in 1911 and educate Woodhouse Grammar Sci near Sheffield, and at 1 chester University, he lecu But before all outside interests he put the Abbey, which he served as Canon, as Treasurer (1946-49) and Archdeacon, and to which he gave the best of what were certainly the fullest and richest years of his life.

Fox was a "character"; and, for all his charm, there was a certain reticence about him ment of Scientific and In

Chapel services was his first responsibility, and he did everything in his power to see that divine service was always performed with the decency and the dignity which he thought proper. But his interest was not limited to the chapel; his influence was felt throughout the college.

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He found time for many interests beyond the college, both in the University and in the outside world. He was a Select Preacher, both at Oxford and Cambridge; he acted as examining chaplain to the Bishop of Southwark; he was appointed Wiccamical Prebendary of Chichester Camedral in 1936; of him chiefly as a devoted by his tolerance, sense of fun, delight in paradox, enjoyment of simple shoulders he never allowed to prevent him pursuing not indeas for improving fire for the ceeded Mr S. H. Clarke divine, the scholar and the poet.

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DEPTFORD

Mr Albert Depriord, Wimblington, near March, Ca bridgeshire, who collapsed a died at the age of 64 during farm shoot on January 14, h a wide reputation a wide reputation as a breet of children's ponies. For t last three years he had br-the champion children's po-at the Horse of the Year Sha

on January 17. He was 85.

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### THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**

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### dustrial output sumes slow imb back after e doldrums

a industrial output may have resurted its slow after stägnating out the summer. Actiat least some industria thowed distinct signs gures, published by th Statistical Office yester

trial production, which for about 45 per cer 218 1/2 lation's output of good vices, is now shown t lisen 16 per cent durin ee months September er, compared with th three months. Man ig industry alone ros per cent over the sam

wer, because of the la early summer, govern latest figures with con le caution. In particular if that the comparison the periods June and September Novem y overstate the increase rity in the autumn beif the exceptional drop out which occurred in the result of the spring

ugh the output figures - usted for seasonal influthe accuracy of the on in June remains in In addition, the Eurorought, the hot summer and an exceptional of strikes in August iso have significantly ad industrial activity the middle months of

tl industry was working ligher level of capacity. he increase in produc-North Sea oil was also ting to the broad up-

textile industry was sharing in the move-benefiting from pur-of clothing by foreign to Britain and buoyant ermore, there are signs

vival in orders for the year.

INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT The following are the index numbers of industrial production in November, seasonally adjusted

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n-	July	101.3	103.5
	August	100.5	102.3

engineering industry, although this has still to be reflected in higher deliveries of goods. But even if the latest figures do indicate a resumption of the cyclical upswing, it is clear now that the deepest industrial recession since the war is being followed by the clowest

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the middle months of r. But, apart from such nail observations, the on of output last while grow by about 5½ per cent will grow by about 5½ per cent all industrialized countries of 1976, and the second half of 1977, although if foreign demand proved to be stronger than now predicted, the rise in manufacturing activity could be as much as 7 per cent, is is officially thought. The rise in production during the autumn is broadly in line with these kinds of forecasts.

growth is achieved, it will still leave output considerably below its peak level at the height of the last boom in the closing months of 1973.

Since then, production has slumped to its lowest level for several years, reaching a trough in the second quarter of 1975, and beginning its long climb back in the final months of that

### ealey call for more lustrial initiative

ong call to industry to opportunities given it

told the Birmingham r of Industry and ree that while the nent would go on doing ing in its power to the right conditions for al growth it was up to the opportunities pre-by the greater stability

es extremely unlikely rkers would be prepared vere clear signs that the es being borne as a of a fati in their real ild be shown to lead to

ther round of pay res-Mr Healey argued, was element in reducing in-

precondition for cutting in-come tax, which he hoped to do in his next Budget. Government, came last ties which this provided it was now necessary for management to show that it could use the resources available more efficiently than in the past. Mr Healey quotes several recent reports showing that the use of

machinery is less efficient in the United Kingdom than in other countries, and argued that there was nothing inevit-Raising the average level of performance of British industry closer to the standard of the best, was the central aim of the industrial strategy.

He detailed action to help industries deal with their problems and pressed for more attention to the probattention to non-price elements in selling abroad, such as deli very dates and the sensible use of foreign currency billing. He also pleaded for new inelement in reducing in-and the most important lems were identified.

# Sir Harold sets out inquiry task

Sir Harold Wilson issued a reassurance vesterday that his committee on the functioning of Britain's financial institutions will "not be taking a bloodbound into the City. Speaking after the 18-member committee had met for the first time at the Treasury he said that the central theme of the inquiry would be an examination of the provision of investment funds for industry and trade

But the committee would not only look at the machinery for providing such funds in the City, but also at factors which affect demand for investment capital, including taxation. He added that "late but not

low" on the list of priorities for the committee would be the questions of whether there should be an extension of the public sector, and whether there should be greater super-vision of the financial system. The committee had decided, sir Harold said, to divide into three phases its approach to the very wide subject it had to inquire into. The first would be the role and functioning of British financial institutions, second would be the provision and demand for investment funds and third questions such as whether it would be advaninsurance companies.

Meanwhile, responding to widespread criticism when the names of the committee members were announced earlier this month that there was no securities market specialist among the team, Sir Harold disclosed that Mr David Bruce of Cazenove, a leading City stockbroking firm, had been appointed as a consultant to the

principal of the London Business School, has also been appointed as a consultant, and it is clear, too, that the com-mittee will not hesitate to use consultancy advice from outside

ment programme of at least

£164m over the next two years

with more likely to follow. Ex-penditure of £117m has already

been authorized and Mr Keith

Showering, the chairman, said he expected that some £85m

would be spent this calendar

year. The group's plans involve expenditure at all major loca-tions and will "create hundreds

of new jobs".
Last night Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, by far the largest in the

brewing industry, said: "This is the sort of good news we have been looking for. I hope

very much that other com-panies will follow this splendid example and if that happens

British industry will soon be on

the way to a major recovery."
Mr Showering said the group

by Allied Breweries

Alkied Breweries, the largest over the past three years but now considered the time ripe for capital investment.

While investment will be

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have occurred since the last and living with higher in-important inquiry into the terest rates than the "big financial system—by the Rad-cliffe Committee—nearly 20 by Radcliffe. years ago. It will be necessary to see what statistics are available and what extra statistical

Sir Harold said his committee would need to assess how the arguments, conclusions and diagnosis of Radcliffe have been affected by major changes in the economy. Specifically, he cited changes in the pattern of demand for

experts when necessary.

As a first step, the committee will review the changes that the fact that sterling now floats

£164m expansion plan | Suspension

tion as well as new pubs and refurbishing of existing tied houses, much of the invest-

ment will be concentrated on

existing breweries, especially those at Burton, Wrexham and

Alloa.

The group's production of its Skol lager is undertaken at these plants and Mr Showering said yesterday that because of the rapid shift in public taste toward lager the industry's product mix was changing. It is estimated that Allied has some 17 per cent of the lager market.

estimated that Allied has some 17 per cent of the lager market. Dearer beer: Bass Charring-ton announced yesterday it will increase the price of bottled and canned beers later this month, but will hold draught prices "for as long as pos-sible".

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Additionally, Sir Harold said the committee would commis-sion "an authoritative study" sion "an authoritative study" of the property marker from 1971, through the period of collapse until today. It was necessary to see how this "distortion" occurred, he said, what were the consequences and what they still are. Treasury and Bank of England officials will help the committee in this study. atudy.

On the question of how evidence will be gathered, Sir

The suspensions, made at the request of the companies, led to a variety of opinious that some form of takeover of Rand Selection by Anglo American or a tidying up of their various interests and cross-holdings was imminent.

They came after Rand

They came after Rand Selection's shares had jumped

30p to 445p on Monday on top of a 40p gant last week, whereas Anglo's shares had not shown any advance last week, and lost

3p on Monday, Anglo's spokes

man in Johannesburg said a statement might be made today.

Anglo's last annual report showed it as owning 17 per cent of Rand Selection, although

this figure increased last year.

of mining

But he gave a warning that

if for any reason there was "some sort of strike", or evidence was "wilfully withheld" then he would go back to 10 Downing Street for powers to call for evidence.

It has also been decided that the public will be invited to size evidence though as a first the public will be invited to size evidence though as a first give evidence, though as a first step representative bodies such as the Confederation of British Industry and the Accepting Houses Committee, would be juvited to submit views.

So, too, would individual undertakings and firms in the Ciry and industry including multi-nationals. Small businesses will be expected to give evidence, and the committee will send teams to overseas financial centres to essess elementive financial structures and cerive financial structures and gam foreign impressions of Britain's financial institutions.

Hearings of the committee will normally be in private, but there will be occasions when ewdence, perhaps "suitably sanitized" can be published. Certainly, the committee latends that evidence should be published before the committee submitted its report to the Prime Minister.

Sir Herold would not be drawn on how long the inquiry would take, though he noted that Radchiffe had taken about two years, but also that, the remit of the present committee was much wider than that of Radchiffe whose brief was to

buy into several coal interests in British Columbia.

Once the latest deal has been signed, BP will have coal

Australia, Canada and South
Africa—in line with the
group's philosophy of entering
the coal business

BP is proposing to buy Bra-meda Resources's 87½ per cent interest in the Sunkunka coal licences in north-eastern Bri-cish Columbia. It is also to buy

from Teck Corporation and Brameda, in which Teck has a 47 per cent interest, 20 of their 25 jointly held Bullmoose and Chamberlain coal licences in the same area.

Teck and Brameda will, how-

tor Kand Selection, atthough figure increased last year. Financial Editor, page 19 Measures on the Bulmoose

BP investing £17.3m

in Canadian coal

Harold stressed that the in-quiry would be conducted on an informal basis.

It had been suggested by some, he said, that there should have been a Royal Commission, but he had personally rejected this idea. He wanted committee members to be able to go into the City to "root out" their own evidence and ideas, and felt confident that people would be "almost falling over them-selves" to provide the com-mittee with information.

The consultative paper on Insurance Intermediaries backs

This framework would, the

customers in knowing that the intermediaries they deal with are experienced and dependable people."

This paper is, the DoT says, "tentative and intended to provide a basis for public discussion." on the causes of "current concern over insurance agents." Comments on the proposals are invited by the end posals are invited by the end of March, 1977.

In the meantime, the Government "has noted with interest" the private member's Bill on in-

proposals on insurance agents under which they would be "at all times the responsibility of the company for which they

# Government drops

licensing system to regulate the insurance broking industry, have been abandoned by the Government. In a consultative paper published yesterday the Department of Trade proposes tighter, but self-regulated controls for the 9,000 brokers who handle around half the domestic brokers of the 45,000 proposes. tic business of the £4,500m British insurance market.

in principle the case put forward last November by the British Insurance Brokers' Council under which only brokers registered with the BIBC would be entitled to call the process. be entitled to call themselves "insurance brokers".

### plan for state licensing in insurance pected to publish a Bill "to provide for the registration of

that the White Paper and his Bill appeared to be "walking

the Rill is conditional upon public consultation on proposals

in the White Paper and Mr

Page said that comments on the measures could most effectively

be made by contact with the DoT and with him so that when

his Bill reached the committee stage early next month critic-

isms and alternative ideas on regulation could be incor-

regulation could be incorporated as amendments

Mr Page's Bill which, he has said "will affect the insurance world, nationally and internationally", has been structured to "look after the activities of the small as well as the large brokers."

The BIBC yesterday welcomed the Government's proposals and its support for the principles of Mr Page's Bill. The British Insurance Association and the Life Offices

Association, representing the leading insurance companies, are still considering the White Paper but have welcomed the

Government's acceptance

self-regulation Both have reservations, how

ever, about the effects of the

Plans to introduce a State

insurance brokers and for the regulation of their professional standards" leter this week. The Government is in pris ciple willing to support a Bill for this purpose, so long as it provides that the use of the title "insurance broker" would be reserved to registered brokers (whether registered under the BBC's or any other approved scheme) approved scheme).

Mr Page, whose Bill is to have its second reading on January 28 said last night

The paper also discusses the possibility of controls under which insurance policies would which insurance pointies would be sold only by registered brokers, insurance companies, and companies agents. "It would", the paper suggests, eventually "be an offence for any other category of person to be engaged for pecuniary gain in the selling of insurance."

This framework would the

Government believes, "strike a reasonable balance between the interests of insurers in maximiz-ing their sales outlets and of customers in knowing that the

study the monetary system.

Sir Harold pointed out that reports of this kind were only undertaken once in every generation—the Macmillan report in the 1930s preceded Radickife.

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a year. Like other international oil

companies, BP has been mov-ing into cost to expend its

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coal deaf by buying half of the New South Wales, Australia, coal mining operations of Clutha Developments, and asso-ciated companies, for about £116m.

As part of a further diversi

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### Japanese disappoint Stockholding communities in London and Johannesburg were surprised and puzzled yesperday by the suspension of dealings in shares of the South Africa companies, Anglo American Corporation and Rand Selection. The suspensions, made at the remainder of the deal and the remainder Mr Crosland

Brussels, Jan 18.—Mr Cros-land, Foreign Secretary, voiced the European Community's disappointment today over the European talks with Japan on removing the imbalance in where the Community is seek-ing a bigger slice of the world market.
After a meeting of Com-munity foreign ministers Mr

Crosland, as president of the Ministerial Council, said recent discussions with the Japanese both on trade and shipbuilding showed that "nothing had advanced ".

Community by Jananese representatives were "inadequete" and, he added, "the mood in the council (on this subject) was very strong".

#### As part or a natural survera-fication, the group last month set up a minerals department to initiate and develop pojects in the base metals field and subsequently amounced that it was joing Rio Tinto-Zinc in an international consortium developing methods of deep sea mining. Cattle's rejects Provident offer

As expected, the board of Cattle's (Holdings) the Hullbased check and credit trading company, came back yesterday with a brisk rejection of the £3.9m offer made by Provident Financial on Monday for the 74.4 per cent of the equity which it does not already own. Cattle's board claims that the offer, 32p a share in cash, is totally inadequate, and shareholders are advised not to sell. The shares were last night being quoted at 35p, 75 per banks to have hear their prime is self. The shares were last night rates at 6 per cent—the First National Bank of Chicago and Morgan Guaranty Trust—both increased their prime lending levels to 62 per cent yesterday and thus Chase's move today Provident on Monday, at 32p a share the announcement of the bid, Brokers Joseph Sebag bought an additional 11,000 shares for

### Cable & Wireless directors study pay failure

By Maurice Corina and Malcolm Brown

The deadlock between the Government and five executive directors seeking substantia salary increases was discussed at a four-hour meeting of Cable and Wireless's court of directors yesterday.

Mr Edward Short, the court's chairman and a former member of the Government, reviewed his unsuccessful attempt to persuade Mr Var-

ley, Secretary of State for In-dustry, to accept his secret pay proposals which led the five rebel full-time directors into accepting a further period as

from the hard-pressed Mr Short on exactly how he feels a wholly publicly-owned com-pany can improve the pany can improve the remuneration, which is pre-sently £12,830 for the manag-ing director and £10,330 for four other directors.

After the meeting, Cable and Wireless, which was unusually tight lipped, would only say: "The matter was on the "The matter was on the agenda and was discussed. We

No new meeting between Mr Short and Mr Varley has been fixed, but no doubt the Cable and Wireless chairman will lirectors.

Contrary to expectations, no to communicate the feelings of statement was forthcoming directors who on the strength

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How the markets moved

8p to 396p 20p to 330p 4p to 103p 7p to 225p

13p to 72p 12p to 422p 15p to 270p

5p to 285p 5p to 115p

appointment. do directors have now joined the recently-formed Association of Members of State Industry Boards, set up to bring public sector salaries.
The Government has made it

3p to 68p-4p to 40p 12p to 215p 10p to 320p 10p to 14p 11p to 14p 10p to 206p 10p to 145p 10p to 245p 10p to 245p 17p to 145p 14p to 360p

of "certain proposals" put in fringe benefits not enjoyed the Government accepted reelection to the board and ended their refusal to seek reappointment. doubt has seized the point that a Government which has allowed the board to vote perquisites (part of salary) has set a precedent for going the whole way and letting the board itself determine directorial semimental processes. and private pressure on the board itself determine direc-Government to implement torial remuneration, presently long-trozen increases in public strictly controlled by the Civil Service and ministers.

There is one immediate pro clear that no pay proposals breaching the current pay policy can be entertained for Cable and Wireless. Indeed, it his sixtieth birthday, must be is being said that the case of concerned about his frozen pay Cable and Wireless has been as it will determine his pen-weakened by the application of sion at a lower rate

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#### Chase raises its prime to 6½ pc From Frank Vogl Economics Correspondent Washington, Jan 18 The Chase Manhattan Bank of New York today increased

its prime leading rate to 61 per cent from 6 per cent. Other major United States banks to have held their prime was expected.

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contributing to profits.

### **3** economy 'reaccelerating' and sharp wth rise likely, Mr Greenspan says

Tank Vogl eleracing and we may o with a rather sharp e in the real gross d product rate in the quarter—double or tore than the 3 per cent and fixed capital investments. en in the last quarter", ing to Mr Alan Greenchairman of the Council nomic Advisers. council predicts in its report today that real will rise 5 to 54 per cent 1976 to 1977 and Mr

pan indicated that this minary data for all of issued today by the ment of Commerce, that the gross national n in constant dollars al growth rate diminished in successive quarter of ar from 9.2 per cent in 'st three months to 3 per 1 the final three months.

mance of the economy in the igion, Jan 18 last quarter was largely rica's economy is now because of the car industry strike and a substantial fall in business inventories. However, real final sales moved ahead sharply and Mr Greenspan now believes that a rapid upswing will be seen in both inventory

> Real grap for all leading industrial countries (member nations of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) is likely to rise 41 to 5 per cent this year, after a gain of roughly 5 per cent in 1976, the council's annual report says. World trade growth in 1977 is predicted to be around 91 per cent, com-pared with 10 to 11 per cent

The council is cautiously optimistic on the outlook for the British economy. It notes that "if the recent measures 11.6 per cent to that "if the recent measures ,000m (nearly £990,000m), remove some of the uncertainties that have clouded the economic outlook for Britain, ar from 9.2 per cent in and if the forthcoming Budget, by no most three months to 3 per as expected, removes some of cent and the final three months. the tax dismonthies to busi-moderating extremely weak performers expansion, the outlook for per cent.

growth of economic activity in 1977 and beyond may have improved substantially compared to the trends apparent around

It points out that there has been a dramatic change in how the major oil-producing countries have invested their surpluses. It notes that such investments in the United States have increased from 20 per cent of the total Opec surplus in 1974 to about 30 per cent of the surplus in late 1976. At the same time Opec's placements in Britain are said to have fallen from 12.75 per cent of its total surplus in 1974 to nearly zero in 1975 and "for the first threequarters of last year there was a net liquidation of \$1,250m of sterling assets ".

The council does not expect

the rate of inflation to rise

above 5 to 6 per cent this year. It notes that retail food price

increases may be limited to 3

per cent, with consumer

energy product prices gaining by no more than 6 to 7 per

cent and with wage increases moderating slightly to about 71

Sterling ruse 22 points to close at \$1.7160. The "effective devaluation" rate was 42.9 per cent.
Gold rose 75 cents an ounce to \$133.125. SDR-S was 1.15514 on Tuesday while SDR-E was 0.673355.

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# Car imports may top 40pc

By Clifford Webb Midland Industrial

Midland Industrial
Correspondent
Renewed demands for government action to restrict car imports are likely to follow yesterday's publication of a forecast that foreign manufacturers will this year pass the Government has already said is Government has already said is a possible.

Dosnies will do most demand fleet and in company and fleet sales, which eccount for about 50 per cent of all new cars sold in Britain.

The inference here is that British manufacturers who traditionally dominate this area are now under attack in their strongest sector.

strongest sector.

The report gives warning that companies who have long authoritative Economist Intelligence Unit, also predicts that Ford will replace Leyland as market leader by a clear 5 per cent, taking 30 per cent to Leyland's 25.

It experts - Authough the leader by a clear 5 per cent, taking 30 per cent to Leyland's 25.

It expects a further modest increase in the United Kingdom total car market from 1.28 million last year to 1.35 million this year—up 5.5 per cent, with nearly all this extra business

being snapped up by importers. British manufacturers are expected to increase their sales by a mere 0.6 per cent, while the importers continue to make in-roads with 13.4 per cent more. This would give them nearly 41 per cent penetration compared with 38 last year and a record 46 in December.

the effects of reductions in public expenditure, which in-cluded a six-month Govern-ment-imposed standard on

expenditure by regional water authorities.

At least 12,000 jobs in the industry are

risk in related industries.

Rediand Pipe, one of the two
main concrete pipe suppliers in
the country, is to halt production, probably for two years, at

that the six-month standstill in

water authority ordering, which started last month, will

result in short-time working for 4,000 at the Stanton and

Staveley pipe works in the east Midlands, two thirds of their workers. Their production is largely of metal pipes.

ARC Concrete, the other main coocrete pipe manufac-

spent yesterday afternoon in a

local cinema at their employers'

expense, listening to the agreement approved by senior union officials designed to prevent a recurrence of industrial disputes

which have brought the factory to the edge of closedown. Mr Fred Griffiths, divisional

organizer of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, declared that the management felt that some of the trouble

was being caused by two sys-tems of piecework which meant

the company did not have the financial control it ought to

He told the workers "Take this seriously, if the manage-ment have managed badly, it is you that ends up out of work". He and Mr Brian Mathers,

regional secretary of the Transport and General Workers Union, explained the basis of the agreement worked out with the management at the offices

of the West Midlands Engineer-

ing Employers Association which the Rubery Owen management has now joined.

No vote was taken at the

Interim an ... suncement

Profit before tax(£000)

Earnings per share (p)

Dividend per share (p)

A successful trading period

Sales (£000)

**Expenditure cuts put** 

pipe jobs in jeopardy

Water and sewerage pipe redundancies were inevitable. aking companies are feeling a effects of reductions

industry are in jeopardy has also been affected.
according to pipemakers trade
associations. This is about 25 reported to be reassessing per cent of the total workproduction need. As well as

Rubery workers | Cammell Laird

listen to company yard reopens

some of its other plants.

Trade associations covering

all categories of piping—in-cluding concrete, ducide iron,

ment. There are hopes that there might be some easing of the six-month standarill on

water and sewerage expend-

Companies fear that turning

off the orders tap on such a

scale is bound to create supply problems later if essential skills are lost and some

smaller companies are driven out of business.

reopen mday after a two-weel

shutdown caused by the strike

of 450 members of the Boiler-

makers Union, which had stopped work on the construc-tion of 12 ships.

At a meeting yesterday the 450 platers and shipwrights

voted to accept a recommenda-tion by Mr John Chaimers, the

mion's general secretary, to call off their stoppage and allow fresh negotiations with the

company to start. Later the management announced that another 4,000 workers laid off because of the strike would be

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31st October

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Profits for the first half increased by 80% on the same period last

year, which was itself a record. The volume of sales has shown

trends of sales and margins are expected to continue firm for the

the expected growth, and cash flow remains very healthy. The

remainder of this financial year, and the Board anticipates a

satisfactory increase in second half profits.

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recalled today.

The report says the extra permit A high-level deputation business will almost certainly from the Japanese Automobile come from "bottled up" de Manufacturers' Association is

Although the Japanese are widely identified with the im-port problem, much of the im-porters' additional business this

porters additional business this year will come from the three American giants—Ford, Vauxhall and Chrysler.

Their British subsidiaries are already significant importers of cars made by their European affiliates and this cross-Channel flow will be further increased if affiliates and this cross-Channel flow will be further increased if, as the report suggests, all Ford Capris are soon made in Germany.

It believes that the Japanese penetration of 10 per cent is a smuch as the Government will refer the forecasting a to per tent in crease in exports, the report says 1977 could be "an excellent year for British exports "with latent demand for certain models in the EEC and North America, and substantially-increased shipments to Iran by Chrysler.

Manufacturers' Association is expected to confirm voluntary restrictions to achieve this when it arrives in London later this mouth.

Leyland Cars' output is forecast to rise by 5.6 per cent to 720,000 units—a little over 15,000 cars a week and well short of the 22,000 cars the company is aiming for.

Mini sales are expected to decline following the British launch of the Ford Fiesta next mouth. On the other hand the month. On the other hand the Princess, Rover and Jaguar models are expected to do well. An impressive 50 per cent rise in Chrysler production is forecast, compared with 20 per cent for Ford and 13 per cent for Vauxhall. Much of the Chrysler increase will be accounted for by the launch of the company's new small car, the company's new small car,
Forecasting a 16 per cent in-

Fiat voters

approve

From John Earle Turin, Jan 18

Hume Pipe, the Camberley, Surrey, company with production units in the North-east, North-west and South Wales, has started laying off workers. At Alnwick, Northumberland, half the workforce has been laid off. Plant at Glamorgan has also been affected. An extraordinary meeting of Fiat shareholders here today overwhelmingly approved the deal announced in early December whereby the Italian motor car manufacturer will receive an injection of about 360,000 lire (£240m) from the Libyan Arab Foreign Bank.

Signor Gianni Agnelli, the chairman, said afterwards that he expected it would be possible to call a board meeting to nominate two Libyan direc-tors in about a month.

risk in related industries.

Redland Pipe, one of the two
main concrete pipe suppliers in
the country, is to halt produc. Votes representing only 52 shares out of more than 188 million were cast against a motion for existing shareholders to renounce in favour of the Libyans their option to a capia recently-commissioned plant all categories of piping—innear Bury St Edmunds. Suffolk. Only a skeleton staff will
be kept after the end of this
week, and 41 jobs will be lost.
British Steel Corporation said
ment. There are hopes that Libyans their option to a capital increase from 150,000m lire to 165,000m lira and to an issue of 90,000 tire worth o fconvertible bonds. The Libyan Bank will also provide Fiat with a 10-year American dollar loan of \$104m (£61m) bringing its total involvement to about total involvement to about

360,000m. line. In a letter to shareholders he described Fiat's 1976 perfor-mance as better eithough this was largely due to the lira's devaluation, whose effects would in themselves be illusory and in the long term negative. It should be possible to pay this year a dividend out of profits, not out of reserves.

Motor car output of the Fiat peace formula

More than two thousand workers employed by Rubery Owen, Darleston, Staffordshire,

Today after strike

Cammell Laird's shipyard at Birkenhead, on Merseyside, will in 1976, 158,000 more than in 19

Sales were also 3.1 per cent up, including a 9.8 per cent rise in exports from Italy from 561,000 to 617,000. "Nevertheless", Signor Agnelli stated, "we have still not managed to haul the automobile sector off the rocks once and for all."

The First strough news agneliance.

The Fiat group now employs 328,720 people throughout the world, of whom 187,200 are in Italy. The highlights of its other sectors last year were as

Commercial vehicles (Iveco): A 10 per cent sales increase from 95.416 to 105,000 of which nearly 60,000 was exported from Italy.

The dispute was over an agreement which Cammell Laird tried to negotiate with its boilermakers in 1975. It wanted to implement flexible Iron and steel (Teksit): The sector was completely restructured, concentrating on special steel, so that it could sell on working arrangements and a resteel, so that it could sell on the open market rather than continuing merely to meet Fiat's internal requirements.
Total production was 14 per cent up, at the equivalent of 2,050,000 tonnes.
Agricultural tractors: Sales rose 13 per cent from 70,833 to 80,600 with exports up from 50,740 to 52,600. training programme, and promised pay allowances of £2 a week if these were accepted.

However, the deal was rejections.

Year ended

30th April

<u>1976</u>

23,743

4,335

10.37

2.541

The platers and shipwrights walked out on the day that the yard reopened after a ten-day Christmas and New Year boil-

increase

80%

53%



Niterol, the Brazilian frigate, fitted with Olympus gas turbine engines which are also incorporated into the Dutch Navy's "S" class frigates.

### Rolls hoping for £18m marine engines order

By Peter Hill Industrial Correspondent Rolls-Royce (1971) is poised to win a marine engine export order for up to £18m of gas turbine engines for the West German Navy which is embarking on a major modernization of its fleet. Within a few weeks the group is expected to learn whether its bid to supply Olympus and Tyne marine gas turbines has been successful.

German naval authorities

have carried out over the past year an extensive evaluation of the Rolls-Royce product and that of its rival, the American General Electric, and final decisions are expected shortly.

The German Navy is understood to be planning to place orders for at least six frigates, with the strong possibility of a follow-on order of a further

edly opimisuc that the west Germans will decide in favour of its engines. The company has orders for £120m-worth of industrial and marine gas turbines with about 30 per cent of its order book destined for

similar vessels.

Nigeria, Ecuador and Peru are among a number of countries now planning naval six.

Yesterday at The Hague, development programmes and is something new to the young, Rolls-Royce announced that it Rolls-Royce is hoping to pick and cannot be taught too early.)

turbines for the Royal Nether-lands Navy. The Dutch have previously placed orders for the

### Chancellor urged to lower floor for investment grants guest speaker at the chamber's annual banquet, that many more Midland companies would

Midland industry, with its large concentration of small companies, is pressing the Chancellor, Mr Healey, to lower the £500,000 minimum qualification for government assistance under the selective investment scheme

announced in his recent minibudget. Mr Alex Laker, president of Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce and managing director of GKN Fasteners, told the Chancellor in Birmingham last night to bring it down to the level of the smaller company it would be necessary to delete at least one nought

from the half-million, and then "The original selective investment schemes were thought by industry to be solely temby industry to be solely temporary measures to help to bring forward investment projects during the recession. It seems now that they may be much more hardy and long-lived. If this is so, I would particularly like to put to you tonight that we have to do some hard thinking about where the smaller company fits in."

He told the Chancellor, the

He told the Chancellor, the

Warning on Act

rules for debtors

A warning about bankrupt

persons seeking credit from

retailers and loan organizations

was made yesterday by Mr Paul Brooks, chairman of British

Under the new insolvency Act

bankrupts can apply for up to

£50 worth of credit without

committing a criminal offence. Hitherto £10 was the limit.

The new Act also made it harder for debtors to be declared bankrupt, Mr Brooks pointed out. A debtor has to be at least £200 in debt, compared with £50 previously, before he can be declared bankrupt.

Record exports

of wool textiles

Record exports of £30.4m by the British wool textile industry in November raised the annual rate for 1976 to £293m for 1976 compared with £219m the previous year. November's total was £11.4m, or 60 per cent above earnings in November, 1975. The National Wool Textile Export Corporation said last ment that in the first 11 months

night that in the first 11 months

of 1976 exports were worth £268.9m, £70.4m or 36 per cent higher than last year's period.

which eases

Debt Services.

had not set such a high starting Mr Laker criticized expenditure by the National Enterprise Board, which helped companies to install equipment to dupli-cate existing capacity, parti-cularly in the manufacture of

already have taken advantage of

the accelerated projects assis-tance scheme if the Government

motor components. He was referring to British Leyland's recent move to market auto-electrical components through its SU-Butec subsidiary in competition with Lucas Industries, the market leader. The move has been bitterly attacked by Midland industrial ists, who object to the use of

taxpayers' money to subsidize a competitor for private enter-

Mr Laker also took advantage Mr Laker also took advantage of the Chancellor's presence to urge more flexibility in any phase three wages policy. He said: "A new approach is essential to make possible some restoration of differentials, particularly for middle and senior management."

#### |Linwood union accepts double shift working

By R. W. Shakespeare Shop stewards at Linwood, Renfrewshire, Chrysler's largest British car assembly plant, have dropped their opposition to the company's plans to introduce double shifts later this year. This means that the car maker which was the subject of a mas-sive Government-backed rescue operation last year, can go ahead

operation last year, can go ahead with proposals to step up output, and recruit another 1,500 workers in one of Scotland's high unemployment areas.

Acceptance indicates a new mood of confidence in a company that less than 12 mouths ago was threatening to pull out of Britain altogether and was persuaded to stay on the basis of a big reorganization of its operations and a redundancy programme that involved huge cuts at its Midland plants.

Now, with car assembly operations largely centred on the Linwood plant, Chrysler plans to introduce a new small car range

introduce a new small car range later this year, at present codenamed the 424. The plans for double-shift working from April 18 are regarded by the management as control to the management. ment as central to the pro-gramme of gearing up Linwood's capacity to cope with the model as well as increasing output of some of the existing range.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Taxing treatment for employees living in the IIK and working in the UK and working abroad Moreover, the vital is not that of expense or d ance, but the need to p real incentives to ma

From Sir Joseph Latham
Sir, Ministers neglect no opportunity to exhort all concerned to increase overseas earnings. Yet the Chancellor of the Exchequer is contemplar-

cerned to increase overseas earnings. Yet the Chancellor of the Exchequer is contemplating changes in taxation of overseas earnings which would operate as a powerful disincentive in many cases.

In 1974, the Government withdrew the concession by which earnings from overseas employment were taxed only on remittances to the United Kingdom and (for absences of less than 365 days) substituted issue a consultative paper outlining proposals for such changes" with a view to consultations and legislation in the next Finance Bill.

It is assonishing that under the guise of "improving the tax treatment" the proposals include a provision which restricts the 25 per cent deduction to overseas earnings of someone who works abroad for a continuous period of 30 days less than 365 days) substituted a continuous period of 30 days a deduction of 25 per cent from the earnings in computing the liability to United there is a separate employment

Kingdom tax.

It was generally understood that the deduction was not dependent on the existence of a separate employment covering the duties overseas, but recently the Inland Revenue has ruled otherwise.

On December 15, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that "he believed it important to find ways of improving the overseas.

The Inland Revenue justifies the restriction on the grounds that a man "who goes abroad for a very short absence does not incur the same extra edisturbance". Yet surely to make (say) 20 visits overseas totalling 80 days is far more disturbing than a single visit of 30 days. overseas.
The Inland Revenue justifies

incur the strain and d ance of frequent or The Inland Revenue i proposing changes in the expenses connected with seas visits which wou disadvantageous to people.
The Government ma. that priority should be

tunities to promote the terests of the United Kin overseas countries. The

many cases as a po disincentive to continui

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to industry and stresse ings. Is it too much to as their actions should their words? Yours faithfully, J. LATHAM, 25 Badingham Drive,

Leatherhead, Surrey.

### Industry's relations

From Mrs José A. Petty Sir, My husband is extremely interested in the young and the many careers the world of roday has to offer them. Opportunities are varied and legion-indeed career masters and parents must at times find it a most difficult task to fit enthusiastic and undecided young people into heppy and fulfilling employ-

with the schools

Our two sons were both educated at Blundell's School, Tiverton, which has an outward-looking headmaster and staff. Consequently, many rugger marches, fêtes, speech days, etc, have been attended.

We were always impressed by the boys' keenness to know "more about business", so my husband arranged business semi-nars at the school, bringing in a cross-section of businessmen, bankers, etc and, all important today, officiating members of trade unions.

engines for eight earlier vessels in the standard frigate class and the latest package involves construction of four more The proceeding would start in the school hall, dividing the boys drawn from the sixth forms— Apart from the Dutch, the Belgian and French navies are also operating vessels with Rolls-Royce propulsion units, with West Germany outside this "club". into groups, giving each group the same problem, perhaps a sales or manning problem; the leader of each group receiving guidelines to help discussion; then a break for lunch, the boys Rolls executives are guard-edly optimistic that the West sitting at mixed tables with the

> After lunch the written results from each group were discussed — which proved extremely interesting. The boys loved the exercise, especially being marked by the visitors, and eventually a winning group

media, etc. but when thrown into an actual "situation" and faced with sound men from industry and trade unions, these seminars brought from the floor lively questions and a deep and search ing interest

ing interest.

Industry is all about ideas; the boys thought the exercise great, and asked for repeats. The men were tremendously impressed by the searching questions and profound thoughts of the young assemble their of the young—especially their flair and innovation for modern

industrial design.
Early education and encouragement in this area can help arrers later on ; if occasionally businessmen in towns and cities could spare a little time to go into schools with these projects
— both businesses and boys would benefit.
Industrial relations are very

hig business and, coupled with the thoughts of these our young potential industrial innovators, who have no chance to stretch their minds in this area at this stage of their education, we could, as a nation, hold our heads high again in the markets of the world.

Britain could quite easily "live off her brains"—rany are strangled or frustrated by bureaucracy, or engaged in wrangling in government.

We must, therefore, channel this lively intelligence in all our schools to the basic fact that it is imperative to manufacture and to sell attractive and sound commodities abroad. This, after all, as island dwellers, is genetically our birthright and must be London WC1.

January 14. Yours faithfully,

One can say the young must (MRS) JOSÉ A. PETTY, be tired of hearing about our industrial problems through the Buckfastleigh, Devon.

### Incentives to manufacture

From Mr T. G. Arthur Sir, Mr B. E. Cotton (January 12), in pleading for tax relief for "manufacturers", misses a number of fundamental points. In the first place why must the country shift its material

and human resources into manufacturing industry "? Mr Cotton implies that this would increase exports, close the payments gap, and provide all of us with more resources. Exactly the same argument could be applied to non-manufacturing industry, however.

Secondly, the argument is in any case fallacious. The payments gap is purely a function of exchange rates and some rather arbitrary accounting.
Action outside market forces to close it would reduce not increase resources. Imports are the gain from trading, exports are merely a way of paying for them. Importers bringing us shirts or fish at low prices are conserving our resources, and exporters who cannot get rid of their merchandise to show a margin of income over expenses without government aid, are wasting resources. Let's have some Queen's Awards for im-

ports for a change !

Thirdly, there is nothing which decrees manufactured goods to be more desirable than, say, services. A movement out of manufacturing is a normal feature of a developing

economy. The right ratio of manufacturing to services is determined by consumer preferences. I am sure that were the free market allowed to operate there would be more "manufacturing", but while government interference such as tampering with money, high taxation, etc remains, it is per-fectly justifiable to satisfy the resulting consumers desires even if they are pictures

rather than refrigerators.

If "the goods" are wanted,
Mr Corton, they must be paid
for by consumers, in the same
way as services are. Why should those who prefer meditation (say) have to fork out to provide motor cars? And anyway, what is "manufactur-ing"? Does it include, for example, publishing, and if not why not? Finally, let me wish Mr Cotton luck in his quest for relief. Relief on a discriminat-

ing basis is better than none at all, and I would never call taxa-tion "fair" as Mr Cotton implies. But let us all have it, not just those industries who happen to be making goods of certain classifications, which cannot be shown to be any more Yours faithfully, T. G. ARTHUR Cranfield Book Service,

#### Gas leaks and corporation's charging polic

From Mr R. W. Hill Sir, Your correspondent, Henry (January 10), raise matter of our charging in dealing with gas leaks. readers should understand we make absolutely no ( for calling to investigate a or for making safe.

If repair work is necess pipes on the customer's a the main meter or on appl not covered by our guar. service contracts, we mally do make a charge, t' we do our best to treat ship cases sympathetically make no charge for carried out on the meter the pipes leading to it; are owned by us and are responsibility.

If no charge were mad repairs to the individual tomer's appliances or intion, that would mean the other customers would be ing for the work, inch those customers who take to maintain their equip properly so as to lessen possibility of urgent re being necessary.

I would also draw your a tion to the Gas Safety Re tions which make it an of: to use gas appliances if a tomer suspects them to faulty.

Yours faithfully. R. W. HILL, Service Direc British Gas Corporation, Marketing Division,

#### German miracl or a little help from friends?

From Mr G. East Sir, Mr Stephen Schatti (January 14) is right, but has not enumerated all the to miracle-working which is many enjoyed in the early p

war years.
In addition to the access
of "millions more hands brains" of her own she half a million paying guest the form of British Americ French and other forces, a their dependents, all bring in and spending badly nee foreign currency. She cor buted to the national budget costs of the occupation, being forbidden to have for of her own, she spent a smaller proportion of her gruntional product on this co than her "occupiers" w spending on defence.

Similarly, being forbidden bave an arms industry her tire productive capacity (( all those willing hands) a available for consumer go and exports, at a time withe United Kingdom had annual productive capacity fi,000m tied up in arms ma facture.

Miracle? Or a little be from her friends? Yours faithfully, Helford Cottage, 43 Manor Road North, Hinchley Wood, Esher,

### Stabilizing the pound's rebound

From Lord Balogh Sir, The wild gyrations of the pound which we have experienced in the past few months cannot but render any rational economic calculation in planning of exports difficult and costly. Industries where the

costly. Industries where the gestation period is long (those producing capital and durable consumer goods) will be especially hit as sufficiently long-term hedges are not available.

These gyratious were not the reflection of the basic forces

reflection of the basic forces governing costs and prices in the main trading countries, the long exploded theory of "purchasing power parities" of the relative rates of inflation, as some ill-advised monetarists would have it. They were the consequence of violent, and often irrational alterations of fear and hope. fear and hope.
In the absence of sensible and

can and must be controlled. I to stimulate the United State hope that the events of the past economy are a most welcon few days indicate that this change from the policies of t

policy is accepted.

We suffered from the inflation induced by the rise in import prices. We should now try to keep the pound at a level which is compatible with the present relative cost levels and moderate its variations.

Britain is not alone in the world and therefore it must, in devising its exchange policy in devising its exchange policy and demand management, take into account the vast surpluses of the Arab Opec countries which are once again increas-ing and might reach \$50,000m in 1977. It is utter folly to leave the distribution of the consequential deficits of the oil importing countries to alternating and increasingly severe deflationary bouts of

fear and hope.

In the absence of sensible and large scale international arrangements it would have been difficult to resist the downward pressure on the pound. The so-called "safety net" for the destructive ebb and tide of these balances, must be pound. The so-called "safety reckoned in tens of billions of the cheen arrangements is a wallashe step for dollars and the cheen arrangement. pound. The so-called "safety net" is a valuable step forward but is still insufficient as it covers only official sterling to lighten the burden of the holdings and not "hot money". The present rebound, however, President-elect. Carter's plans

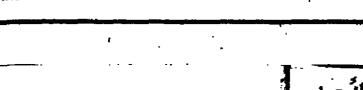
previous Administration.

Without a change in Germaticude, however, they will nobe sufficient to regain for the non-Soviet world the momentu of steady expansion which wo lost in 1974 as a result of the spread of policies based a monetarist fallacies.

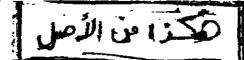
If the relative stabilization the pound is carried out at world prospects further in prove, the Government shou use the leeway gained to expanthe domestic economy. We munt he temped as thick of not be tempted to think of rise in sterling as a victor nor go for an accumulation (external surpluses.

The first would frustrate or export recovery and the second would be ruinous to the worl because it would lead to cut in public expenditure and pr vate restrictionism. The importance of these problems ha been acknowledged by th Prime Minister himself takin;

charge. Yours, THOMAS BALOGE, Balliol College,



St. George's House, 195 Waterloo Road



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INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY: 1, THE FERROUS FOUNDRIES BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

### Controlling the agents is the problem £1.1m against the forecast of

,000 insurance interes of the right to desbroker". Subject to ork for regulating in-

combined proposals in a private s Bill in the current that only registered should be allowed to the financial protec-

roduct of the recent Anglo), ective on insurance inries—the public and rance industry should the Government's prog far as they go.

nuble is that not only
not go far enough, but
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imagination to assume e 6,000-odd existing who will lose their that title will merely omesellor, adviser or overnment does recog-

ance selling can only moved significantly " if andards are enforced inrance agents as well mly down in favour of rance companies doing ing and being respontheir agents. Hopeis should improve the s of agents—particu-a disgruntled policyould get redress from

icing the insurance inf its own shortcomings rea—every major comystem is little short of will be a considerable i there are other probor agents which will be sorted out. The ive paper is a good point for debate, but end of the day the ent may need more it is to achieve higher andards for agents as

#### -American

#### ries on a Isel deal

nerican Corporation is rer why it and Rand requested their quotes spended. So in the of any official ennt, there are plenty y dramatic share price and the suspensions

since not even a. lding statement has ted, City betting has ng in favour of a rationalization, of and/or a partial take-er than a full scale although the latter ould have much to

news for a change may me from Randsel's move into Schlesinom the gradual move aing world to simplify it holdings—the tip of woven Anglo iceberg en to view is complex vithout delving below

upon depriving ticularly easy to market outside South Africa and as a general investment house—last year gold and uranium accounted for 43 per cent of investment in-come and industrial for 21 per cent compared with 58 per cent selling, will be adopt- and 14 per cent respectively the registration procedure previous year—it could quite easily be fully absorbed into Anglo without much upset in

A full take-over (perhaps by a 2 or 21-for-1 share swop) would allow Anglo to consolidate fully, which would nicely beef up the balance sheet. It would also have a beneficial the financial protection of the code of conduction in the BIBC scheme the first time, a uniaccepted definition of ance broker—one use-

Matever happens, Anglo should avoid having the kind of ugly scrap in which Union Corporation, for example, was poration, for example, was involved over Geduld Invest-

### Allied Breweries

#### The big spend

terms, Allied Breweries de-cision to invest some £164m over the next two years—as against an annual average of Letraset £35m over the past three years was bound to have the market boggling a bit: and the shares put up a subdued performance yesterday, rising by a mere ip to 64 p, while the rest of the market romped away. The mismarket rompen away, the misgivings centre, naturally, on
what such a level of spending
will do to the balance sheet.
Well the answer, inevitably,
is that it will put the level of
borrowings up. Against a
pariod when profits were
depressed by an inter-union
dispute, however, Allied has now entered a year in which they are set to rise by over 20 per cent and cash flow will reflect the benefits—even after allowing for what are, in the first instance, likely to be the disproportionate costs of servicing the shares issued in con-

acquisition. In fact, Allied is budgeting for cash flow of around £50m this year, after allowing for property realizations and higher working capital recourements, so that the planned level of capital spending assumes an addition of some £30m to end-

Given higher retentions, the implication is that gearing at

into profits.

In the meantime, of course, profits will not be as high as they would otherwise have been: for one year's borrowing of £30m is going to cost the group some £5m pre-tax at current rates, which will have to fall substantially to prevent financing costs from rising. Still, there is nothing in all this to suggest that Allied will have to come to the market, either for a rights (a move of which the group disclaims any intention) or for the sale of the Trust Houses Forte stake,

#### **Dunford & Elliott**

### The credibility

gap remains Dunford & Elliott has produced impressive first quarter results to back up its forecast of £5m pre-tax profits this year and fully diluted earnings of 19p a share. Pre-tax profits in the first three months totalled

from the depressed scrap price. Dunford argues that it has the capacity, the demand and the scope in terms of profit margins to achieve its forecast. And it dismissed comments by Johnson & Firth Brown about its past inability to match forecasts. Is there, therefore, still a case for Johnson & Firth

The Dunford share price helps provide an answer. Up 2p to 52p yesterday, in line with J & FB's one for one share bid but below the effective value of that bid including the additional 11p per share available through J & FB's offer for Dunford's preference stock the shares stand at an unrealis-tically low value if Dunford's forecast is accurate and if, as it argues, its forecast underpins a wider recovery in its fortunes permitting degearing and generation of sufficient working capital to loosen the bonds of

In short, Dunford has still to bridge the credibility gap that past years misfortunes have dug between its management and shareholders. Price movements in the next few days Dunford argument has managed to overcome this problem However laudable in social it does not, J & FB's bid will

#### The yield drawback

Rehabilitation of its growth status has done nothing for Letraser's market rating and the shares, moving much in line with the market over the last six months, only managed a 2p rise to 78p yesterday despite the 80 per cent jump in first half pre-tax profits to £2.87m.

True, the underlying increase

is somewhat flattered: currency gains account for £300,000 of the rise and this could well be eroded by the year-end if sterling continues its new-found strength—while the group's mounting cash balances, up another film to almost £4.5m in the first half, brought with the Teachers in another £im or so at the pre-

Otherwise, it has been a matter of Letraset continuing to benefit from the volume up-turn that got under way in the middle of last year—this accounting for almost a third of the £3.2m sales increase and its ability to get price rises through fairly promptly. Strongest areas geographicmuch higher than the 49 per cent of last September, and by that stage its benefits will be flowing through quite strongly into profits.

In the meantime, of course

United States, with the closure of total grocery trade, valued at £7,500m in 1975 by the Economist Intelligence Unit, has there, though this has meant a small rise in the tax charge to 55.4 per cent.

However, Letraser's success is proving something of a handicap, with cash flow rising at a faster rate than the opportunities to diversify. Openings in the commercial art market are few and far between, while the recent frustration of its efforts to expand in artists materials via the takeover of Winsor & Newton has stunted its ambi-tions at home for the moment —albeit that the forey was not without its bright side with

Lerraset netting £150,000 from the sale of is Winsor stake. With the sales recovery now levelling out Letraser's second-half performance will not be as strong as the first, though the group should manage at least fom for the year for a prospec-tive p/e ratio of 6). But, until it finds some way of loosening its 7 times covered dividend, a 51 per cent yield will remain the chief inhibiting factor. Interim: 1976-77 (1975-76)

Sales £13.4m (£10.2m) Pre-tax profits £2.87m (£1.6m) Dividend gross 1.26p (0.6p)

### A new mix in the melting pot Quietly, and without much fuss, some £22,123,000 was committed

by the Department of Industry last year to the ferrous foundry industry. This money will so towards improving productivity, plant, enhancing the quality of products and improving working It is a brave experiment in

looking at a basic manufactur-ing sector and seeing whether a partnership between Whitehall and industry can make a funda-mental impact. The aid scheme, however, is only one part of the strategy now being mounted across productive industry to achieve modernization in the medium term. Iron and steel castings are

components for many other industries. More than a third of United Kingdom production goes, for example, to the vehicle manufacturers, while a similar amount finds its way into engineering at large, with the balance being supplied to mining, railways and construction. The ferrous foundries were

selected for special attention because the supply of both iron and steel castings appeared to be a serious constraint during the surge in industrial activity in 1973. There has, however, been a net loss of 431 iron and 11 steel foundries in the decade up to last year, so that it is reasonable to ask whether the

extensive food wholesaling interests dealing with indepen-

dent grocers, small multiples and the voluntary symbol groups, such as Spar, VG and Mace. The major supermarket multiples—Tesco, Sainsbury and the rest—either run their own

wholesale depots or, increas-ingly, take supplies direct from

the manufacturers as required.

Although the multiples share

component. Four companies (Tesco, Cavenham, Sainsbury,

and International) account for

about a quarter of all grocery turnover and their scope for

making economies of scale is

been under severe pressure not just from the multiples and

more recently from hyper-markets but from the stringen-

in general, have been forced to seek similar savings wherever they can. Not all have

The EIU estimates that nearly

grocery stores disappeared be-tween 1961 and 1971 to leave a total of 77,500 outlets. Since

quarter of independent

proportionately large.

they can. Not succeeded, however.

accelerated.

tion from substitute materials and from both direct and in-An economic development

The first of an occasional series of

articles on important sectors of UK

manufacturing industry which are

cooperating with the Government to

reduce obstacles to growth and efficiency

team, led by an independent chairman, Mr Ken Corfield, deputy chairman of Standard Telephones and Cables, is concentrating the industry's attention of the contraction of the contractio of castings. To these must be added some 80 steel foundries with an annual gross output of £172m, delivering more than a quarter of a million tonnes. Together they employ about 100,000 workers, a drop of 40,000 or so since 1963. Foundries are not pleasant places of work and they seem

to have a high incidence of accidents, as well as more than their fair share of industrial disputes. One thing achieved by the strategy review has been working environments. focus attention on manpower problems as well as the issues of finance, investment, materials

industry is in any better shape

now to respond to demands

745 iron foundies with a gross output of £835m, producing more than three million tonnes

At the last count there were

placed on it in a revival.

In tonnage terms the output of ferrous foundries has been in decline, with strong competitions of the control o

tion on a wide range of issues.

The main problem as perceived by customers industries is supply difficulties, including unreliable delivery. There is little overall shortage of physical capacity, except at peak times, but much of it is old, with poor

How the wholesalers are finding

machined castings. The provision of more capacity comes at a

time when import penetration is said to be small, but dangers need to be anticipated. Modern capacity is being expanded in such countries as Japan, Thai-land, Singapore, Mexico and Spain and some types of castings are starting to enter Britain from sources like these at competitive prices. In the past too many foundries saw their job as

supplying castings on a com-modity basis rather than sell-ing components. With few exceptions (pipes, ingot moulds So the introduction of an aid exceptions (pipes, ingot moulds scheme under section 8 of the Industry Act is seen as having are sent for incorporation into a direct impact on out-of-date other machinery and plant, plant, providing a better service Companies which have special-

ed and aimed for high plant utilization are said to have found benefits both for customers and for themselves. Foundries have tended to

under-invest. The age of melting plant averages 20 years, that of sand plant 15 years and fettling plant 12. This is in spite of evidence that the economic life of such units is really much shorter. Part of the problem has been

uneconomic pricing and the power of buyers. Sometimes castings have been priced according to weight, not allowing for complexity of manufacture, length of run, testing and

The impact of highly amplified order cycles, with unrealistically long order books and long delivery dates in times of boom is a big problem. So, too, is over-ordering or frequent design and nattern changes that add to lead times. The supply quality scrap is a big head-On thing is clear. The industrial strategy review has made

deeply about their industry. That 233 applications for inreceived by the Department of Industry is a sign that the talk is being backed by action. Maurice Corina

### friendship in the corner shop symbol groups. Mr Linnell admits that the

The climate in retail grocery, where the emphasis with all the In order to resist the general supermarket leaders is on very large super stores and hyper-markets, makes Linfood Holdpressures independent grocery traders have increasingly turned to the voluntary trading ings' purchase of a chain of small grocery stores through Gateway Securities seem a groups for help. These were formed by sudependent retailers, who, working with a group of wholesalers, clubbed together to curious move. The reasoning behind the acquisition becomes clearer if

pool buying and marketing reit is related to recent develop-ments by other groups, such as Booker McConnell and Wheat-The success of this method of trading can be measured by its growth. From their start in sheaf Distribution & Trading, which have areas of business similar to those of Linfood. But Britain in the early 1960s the voluntary groups' share of total grocery trade has infor the full picture to become apparent it is necessary to go further back down the retail creased to more than 20 per cent, while that of unaffiliated independents fell from about distribution pipeline into the 40 per cent to less than 17 per cent between 1961 to 1975. wholesale area. For all these companies have

The indication during the past veer has been that the voluntary groups have made further gains by picking up new members among the shops shed by the

Behind the voluntary groups, the largest of which are VG, Spar and Mace, whose trading names and symbols are familiar all over Britain, lie wholesalers like Linfood, whose names are almost unknown by the general

While there are no formal written contracts between wholesalers and retail members of a voluntary group there is a strong "gentleman's agree-ment" that the retailer will buy all the goods he needs from the group wholesaler. In return he obtains a variety of services, some free and some for which

a charge is made. These include collective advertising and an advisory service on store management, including loans and insurance

The theory behind the arrangement is that, given a large stable demand for goods assured by the retailers' commitment to buy mainly from the group, the wholesaler can get better terms from manufacturers and pass these on to the retailer. Also, by helping the retailers to increase their own turnover the wholesalers

A process of rationalization

then, particularly during the past two years, the rate of shop closures generally has similar to that which occurred among multiple retailers in the In the multiple and co-opera-tive sector, the Institute of Grocery Distribution issued relate 1960s and early 1970s has taken place among the whole-salers. Linfood Holdings was formed after a series of amal-gamations, ending in late 1974 sults last month indicating that the rate of closures during the

Associated Food Holdings and Thomas Linnell & Sons, both large-scale suppliers to the Spar symbol group.

With a turnover for the year

ending April 1976, of more than £190m it is the biggest single supplier to the 4,000 shops which are members of the Spar voluntary group. Mr David Linnell, Linfood's managing director, is also chairman of Spar Food Holdings, the voluntary group's parent com-

small grocery shops through its wholesaling activities is therefors very close. But, even before the acquisition of Gate-way's 94 grocery shops, Lin-

### Patricia Tisdall

food aiready owned 166 stores which trade under the Spar

Like its existing stores, Linfood's new purchases have an average trading area of 5,000 sq ft, which is about half the average size of the new stores being opened by the mukiples.
Because of the company's
knowledge of operating small
grocery stores, Mr Linnell is pects for Gateway, Should any of the Gateway shops prove uneconomic as part of a chain, Linfood is exceptionally well placed with Spar to cransfer to a franchise basis, if, for instance, the store manager is prepared to "go independent" or to find a successor if he

that the acquisition of Gateay brings new customers to its warehouses.

Looking further to the future,

the Gateway deal gives Linfood a 28.9 per cent share stake in Bishop's Stores, a family-con-trolled company based in Middlessx, which not only operates 60 or so stores but is also a wholesaler supplier to

holding in Bishop's offers an interesting possibility, but stresses that he regards full cooperation by the management of any operation he acquires as of great importance.

Linfood's reasoning is evidently very similar to that of Booker McConneil. Like Linfood, this group has an exten-food, this group has an exten-sive direct delivery grocery wholesale trade as well as cash and carry warehouses among its many other interests.

It is the biggest single sup-plier to Mace, one of the three

largest voluntary groups, and, with the purchase of Kinloch (Provision Merchants) late last year, it also acquired an entry to Wavy Line, another, smaller

Also like Linfood, Booker Mc-Connell has built up a substan-tial chain of small grocery retail stores. With Budgen & Company it acquired 158 stores and in December it added a further 65 through the pur-chase of Kinloch.

A third big wholesale supplier to the voluntary groups is Wheatsheaf Distribution and Trading Although it is better market activities at the oppoabout 40 per cent of Wheat-shears trade comes from servicing about 2,000 retail members of the VG voluntary chain. Unlike Linfood and Booker McConnell, Wheatsheaf has phased out its ownership of smaller grocery stores (at one time is owned 60). Mr E. Aylett Moore, Wheatsheaf's chairman, says he "believes strongly in the future of the private sec. the future of the private sector" in grocery retailing.

Besides their extensive involvement in "direct delivery"

wholesaling the three companies are also deeply engaged in the cash and carry side of wholesale distribution. About half of Wheatsheaf's trade comes from this sector and about a third of Linfood's business comes from

The cash and carry trade, which, according to the A. C. Nielsen market research com-

pany, turned over £1,116m in the year ending January, 1975, relies heavily on business from unaffiliated independent traders.

Although some experts believe that the tide is now starting to turn, cash and carry operators have generally suffered from static or declining sales in the last few years. Mr Linnell, of Linfood, is

nevertheless optimistic that cash and carry business have a stable long-term future. Ly extension of trade into non-food areas, such as toys, alcoholic drinks, textiles and so on he also envisages expansion by attracting new types of cus-

"In the South-east for instance", he says, "bingo halls are very valuable customers of Linfood's cash and carry trade." However, the main immediate Linfood's structure rests clearly with the voluntary groups of

small grocery stores.

While they contain some chains under common ownership (such as those run by Linthe valuntary group stores are 'typically family-owned and family-run businesses mainly in residential areas and local

shopping centres. As such, they do not neces-sarily compete with the larger and medium-sized supermarket multiples in the high street, which the latest research indicates have been the most vulnerable to competition from super stores and hypermarkets trading with lower operational costs on the outskirts of towns and offering keener prices.
Fresent thinking, in a variety
of quarters, is that the small

corner grocery shop has as much a place in the future of retailing as has the hyper-

### Business Diary: Soccer pitch • Unto this last

18 to be seen whether e four British national ams will be in Buenos up in the summer of owever, one English nother sort has already This is West Nally, a narketing consultancy, s won the contract to stadium and publica-crosing on behalf of iss-based interruling body. Nally is the consult-

anaging director, and st" is Peter West, the ommentator and this ugby correspondent. ays that although the kely to do little more ak even on the con-.ch involves guaranteeup to 20m Deutsche bout £4.1m), the real hould come from an contract with the themselves for the cup symbol and

#### le charge it will be ed, a little old woman

in a shoe, who had children she didn't dustry as that old then the nursery escribed rather well ition of British shoes imports began to eat british market, without

ing any central body zrtment of Industry

Whether British shoemakers are back where they started depends upon whether White-hall and the industry take up a recommendation agreed by steering group members. body, with representatives both from Whitehall and the indus-

my, including those like leather makers and component manusented on the steering group.
Figures to be released next month are likely to show that imports now account for about four tenths of the British market, although there are signs of improved exports, particularly of quality footwear.

job that was once held by AUEW president Hugh Scanlon and also by the former Labour Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster Fred (now Lord) Lee has just changed hands againafter three decades. The chairmanship of the powerful trade union works committee at GEC'S big heavy engineering factory at Trafford Park, Manchester, has been held for a record-breaking 30 years by 72-year-old Bert Brennan. Now he has decided to retire and will be succeeded by 56-year-old machine tool setter Alec Green, an AUEW convener and mem-ber of the works committee for the past 10 years.

#### Desk-bound

Business people checking in for flights at Copenhagen international airport are getting more smoothly through the formalities than at most other ed an industry steering more smoothly through the ider George Marriott, formalities than at most other soon to be wound up. European airports. This is be-



Hollowood

Then there's the 13 week's of business optimism generated by Kenneth Galbraith's economic series on the telly."

cause instead of having to go to the counter of the airline with which they are booked they can go to any of a dozen The national airline, Scandi-

navian Airlines System, will "handle" for all the other scheduled operators and its staff is ready to accept all The obvious question, if you have ever stood fuming in, say, the Lufthansa queue while

British Airways next door filed their nails without any pas-sengers at that particular moment, is "why can't all the airlines get together and have a common check-in, at all air-ports, big and small?" Airlines we tried the idea on say it is "impractical", but we suspect that the real ob-jection is that they would lose

the prestige held to go with the above their check-in But where is the prestige in causing an unnecessary queue of hot, tired and laden passengers?

life smoother for air travellers. rather than for the airlines. Or

#### Also ran? In evidence to the Royal Com-

mission on Gambling, the Board is suggesting that it should have a monoply of offcourse betting and the bookies should be allowed a piece of the action only when it comes to on-course betting.

The Tote submission was

enough to knock the shares of adbrokes and Coral, which both have large book-making interests. But most of the resultant hostility has been directed at Woodrow Wyatt, the Tote chairman.

Surely this is something which the airlines could sort out through the International which after all exists to make

" the He has said that book-makers

suck out profits from the racing

hotels, casinos, marinas, amuse-ment centres and so on ". Yet Wyatt's proposals are not as revolutionary as they appear, for some 50 years ago the Earl of Carnaryon, then Lord Porchester, put up a similar proposal for an off-course Tote monopoly to Sir

industry and spend them on

Chancellor of the Exchequer. In his memoirs, No Regrets, the earl, father of the present Lord Porchester, the Queen's racing manager, says of his proposal: "Thus the country's vast expenditure on betting would be controlled by a central organization and the profit herefrom be reinvested in the industry with increased prize money and innumerable other benefits, as well as producing revenue for the Chancellor of the Exchequer".

The idea did not get very far and, when the earl suggested that all book-makers should be abolished except for those operating on-course, Sir Winston is recorded as retorting: "! shall never be a party to such a suggestion! "Why should I, a staunch

upholder of democracy, deprive

any man of earning an honest

living. I might throw about half a million people out of

work and I have no intention of

A reader whose Renault can broke down tells us that when she telephoned the importer's West London garage and asked them to tow it in for repair she was told they could nottheir breakdown truck had broken down. She went to

## Trident Television has had a most successful year"



Ward Thomas, CSE, DPC, Chairpan, Trident Television Limited

#### REVENUE PROFITS UP "Trident has had a most successful

year," states Mr. G. E. Ward Thomas, Chairman of Trident Television Limited, in his Report for the year. "Television advertising revenue has been buoyant, moving up to second place among the ITV contractors. Our Australian enterprise has developed to the point at which we begin to see a return on our investment and our other interests havealso substantially improved their

Pre-tax profit for the year ended 30th September 1976 was £4.82 million (1975: £2.09 million) and net earnings per share increased to 6.1 pence (2.5 pence).

#### 47,178 33,860 Profit before Taxation 4.326 2,092 6.1 pentil 2.5 pence A final dividend of 1.615 pence

per share, together with the interim dividend already paid, makes a total dividend for the year of 2.322 pence per share (1975: 2.111 pence).

#### PROSPECTS

"We are currently forecasting a further increase in revenue and, despite increasing costs, we anticipate a further improvement in results both from television and from our other interests in the UK and overseas." Mr. Thomas commented that

Trident continued to maintain its strong liquid position, and that the time was appropriate to utilise funds for further acquisition. "All in all, I am confident that 1977

will be another year of successful growth for your Company," he

Trident House, Brooks Mews, W1Y1LF.

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### Nationalized industry prices rising faster than in private sector

A retail price index of union militancy and conse-nationalized industry prices quently increase the rate of over the 15 years 1960 to 1975 wage inflation." rose much faster than a com-parable index compiled for total retail prices, according to a study released yesterday by the National Economic Develop-ment Office.

The study\*, one of three back-

ground papers published as supplements to the NEDO study of state industries produced last November, says that the retail price index of nationalized industry products rose by 8.4 per cent per annum during the period under review, as against 2 per cent for the total retail

price index.
But NEDO gives warning that the direct role of state industries in the inflationary process should not be exaggerated. "Their contribution, as a per-centage in the total increase in retail price inflation, was little more than 8 per cent and this was only slightly greater than the volume share of nationalthe volume share of hattonal liked industry products in total consumer expenditure."

The report finds that price restraint and subsidies to state major foreign exchange earners

industries may help to mitigate wage and price inflation, but there may be less desirable

effects.

If offsetting reductions are not made", it says, "subsidies imply an increase in govern-ment expenditure. If this in-crease cannot be financed by increased taxation, sale of gov-ernment securities or overseas

ernment securities or overseas ships with other sectors of the conomy, both available price \$1.50 each—\$1.69 postage paid;

"This will, under the monetarist argument, increase inflation and, even under the institution-alists' argument, it could increase excess demand for SW1 9LJ.

labour, lead to an increase in

quently increase the rate of wage inflation."

Subsidies will also cause misallocation of resources, says the study, if used to maintain activity in an inefficient sector.

The other two papers published vesterday cover the relationships of state industries with other sectors of the favourable economic news, the buyers were out in force and for the fourth day running share prices made good progress.
The main incentives for investors were Monday's trade figures and the prospect of a significant cut in the Minimum Lending Rate at the end of the week. The FT Index, 7.3

with other sectors of the economy, and exports and Discussing the relationships which have evolved with other sectors the NEDO says the industries are nazionalized particularly important as suppliers of intermediate products

helow 40 per cent.

and large importers.
For airways, foreign earnings

tries, Background Papers. No 5, Price Behaviour: No 6, Relation-ships with other sectors of the

sessions. A point of encouragement for some was that the index Sales to private consumers are also more important than for the average manufacturing industry. In 1971, for example, more than 50 per cent of the

Up sprang the profits of Leyland Paint & Wallpaper from £424,000 to a record £1.39m in the year to October 2. output of gas, electricity, coal, railways and ports and telecommunications went to per-sonal consumers; the average The board's optimism suggests The board's aptimism suggests Elin or more this year. At 36p, the shores ore valued at little more than Elm, and there is a 14 per cent weld as well. for manufacturing industry was

up at 11 am, rallied from an easier note in the early afternoon to close 6.7 ahead at 381.1, a gain of more than 23

points over the last four

Stock markets

had gone above 375, a point often seen as the market's upper limit by those who think little progress will be made until later this year.

Government bonds had another good day, with heavy

market. Short-dated stocks advanced very sharply in the morning and closed up to a point higher on the day, within an eighth of a point of their

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Widespread confidence that interest rates would fall, together with some signs of overseas interest, ensured a " Mediums "

stronger and there was also good demand for the long-dated stocks. Gains in "longs" ranged up to 3 of a point, in exceptionally heavy trading. The long-dated stocks closed at around their peak for the day. Hopes for a recovery in the industry and high yields brought some good gains to the building sector, where the best were Johnson-Richards Tiles, up 14p to 160p, Tilbury Contracting 13p to 206p, Marchwiel 7p to 127p, Tavior Woodraw 6p to 254p, BPB 5p to 132p, AP Cement 5p to 171p and Concrete 4p to 490. But Travis & Arnold were

left 3p lower at 107p after a Ahead of results today, Rank ended unchanged at 158p. after touching 162p, but elsewhere in the sector EMI added 7p to 226p and Chloride 2p to 99p. Reyrolle Parsons were lowered

Among the "blue chips", the strongest spots were to be found in Glaxo, better by 12p to 422p, Unilever 10p to 434p, Filkington 9p to 302p, Beecham 8p to 396p and Courtanids 4p to 103p. But ICI, though the busiest counter of the day, was hit by two-way trading and closed at an unchanged 357p.

In spite of reports that the New Year sales claims were extravagant and some disapextravagant and some disappointing sales figures, stores continued to be in demand with Mothercare gaining 8p to 216p. Boots 7p to 129p. Gus "A" 6p to 185p, WH Smith "A" 4p to But firmest of all was Vaux 354p and House of Fraser 3p to 80p. After the terms from Linford". Cateway "A" rose another 1!p to 59p with Bishop's 150p and Lunuva 13p to 85p.

Bir E. D. Healey, chairman of

loss was struck after charging £6.68m of exchange losses against £2.39m and tax of £1.49m against £359,000.

This Middlesex-based com

Steady growth

at Amber Day

steady progress this year.

panies) edged forward from 13.86m to 13.9m, but pre-tax profits fell from 1202,500 to 1167,900. The board explains that the small sales increase

reflects a fall in volume.
Prices were held for about 12

months and in the contract field for even longer. But turnover did not rise as expected and belatedly prices were raised.

Moreover, the fall in sterling

The directors still hope for

raised the cost of materials.

better sales and if they get them "something approaching last year's figures for the full year should be reached".

In the year to March 31, 1976, pre-tax profits were £472,000. Wrighton manufactures furniture, mainly fitted kitchens.

Nationwide adamant

The directors of Nationwide Leisure are ready to reject the

proposed offer from British Car Auctions. It would value Nationwide's shares at 10p

Higher prices may

help F Wrighton

After record profits

Status Discount.

turnover in all sections of the '21p to 131p on union opposition market. Short-dated stocks to possible power station meraphone advanced very sharply in the gers.

Stores, where Gateway has a tracked opposition to possible power station meraphone power station meraphone. Food issues also attracted defining the control of the control o mand notably Rowntree, which

spurted 12p to 215p after a late run. Sale Tilney up 70 to 117p. Booker McConnell 6p to 144p and Sainsbury 5p to 1500. Best of the engineers were Weyburn 14p ahead to 350p after last week's figures. Dowly 6p to 103p. Tube investments 6p to 334p and APV 5p to 282p.

The annual meeting of Bass

Charrington, up 3p to 99p, brought interest to the drinks sector with Guinness 2p to the

Latest dividends (and par value) Amber Day (100) Int Cronch Group (25p) Int Deborah Int Heron Motor (25p) Int Letraset (10p) Int Trident Television (10p) 0.89 1.95 1.35 0.81 1.61 Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business Years dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.54. Adjusted for scrip.

Index clears 375, scoring 23 points in four days to arreact attention with Bristol Stadium adding 3p to 1.3p after news that the Scotts Restaurant stake had risen to more than 10 per cent. Fox's Biscuits better at 102p on fresh bid hopes and Lyle Shipping 10p to the good at 132p. Late in the day, FMC was very firm and finally closed 13p better at 72p on renewed hopes of terms from Borrhwick. Common Brothers reacted 7p

to 183p on profit-taking, The possibility of timber prices being referred to the Monopolies Commission did not stop M. L. Meyer rising 1p to 48p and Magnet Southerns 3p to 130p. Hickson & Welch continued to be helped by last week's figures and were 12p to the good at 345p at one point. In the financial sector, the clearing banks ended at, or just below their overnight levels. but there were two good spots to be found in Hill Samuel 4p to 67p and Smith St Aubyn 4p to 67p.

Demand for property shares was selective, but there were good gains from Apex 8p to 132p, Hammerson "A" 7p to 350p, Haslemere 7p to 172p and Guildhall 6p to 60p.

but F. Wrighton lost 2p t Equity turnover on Janua was £58.60m (12,923 barg According to Exchange

There is now some doubt whether Argo Group's doc outlining its 25p a share t Williams Hudson will g within the required 28 d the hid\_announcement or Year's Eve. Argo is belie have asked the Takeover for an extension, althous Panel would not comme night. One report sugges delay lies with the Ba England, whose conservation whose required, but this man be of the mark. The sharese unmoved at 24p.

graph, active stocks yes were ICI, BAT Dfd, Shel clays, BP, Trident TV, Trust Houses Forte, Tre House, Courtaulds, Bass rington, Woolworth, L. GKN, GEC, Beecham, croft, Dowty, Lucas, P. Johnson - Richards, In oils, BP rose 6p to 820p, Parsons, Davy Interna Lasmo 10p to 290p, while English Property and RT

### Bonn urged to safeguard textile jobs

Bonn, Jan 18.—The German textile industry needed protec-tion against dumped and favoured imports from developing countries as well as immediate tax concessions to expand or even to stay comperitive, Herr Wilhelm Hardt, president of the Textile Industry Association, said today at

the annual meeting,
Herr Hardt cited imports of Turkish cotton yarn and Italian pantichose as examples of textile imports that were directly or indirectly subsidized by their governments, although these countries were bound by European Community agreements

forbidding this. He also mentioned imports om South Korea, Taiwan and Brazil which receive favourable

trestment under the terms of the World Textile Agreement.
Herr Detley Rohwedder, state secretary of the Federal Economics Ministry, who attended the meeting, responded. to Herr Hardt's comments by saying that the federal government was continuing negotiations against dumped imports ccording to the terms of binding agreements. However, in some cases, as with the Italian pantishose, it was difficult to

prove any violation.

Regarding the World Textile
Agreement, Herr Rohwedder
felt it would be better to renew the agreement, due to expire at the end of this year, under its present form.
Figures released by the tex-

tile association indicated that orders to German textile makers rose an estimated 6 per cent in real terms in 1976, while production was up an estimated 10 per cent. For the first 11 months, German tex-tile exports were up 23.8 per cent from the comparable 1975 period to DM12.064m (some £3.000m) while imports rose only 15.9 per cent to DM16.765m

Herr Hardt noted that a recent survey of the industry Indicated that capital spending of the sum insured or £150, for 1977 should reach last year's level of just over DM1,000m.

Ronald Kershaw
Millspaugh, the Sheffield
engineering company, which

announced its closure on Mon-

with inquiries from other groups looking for skilled and

A spokesman for the com-

pany, which is part of Sulzer.

the United Kingdom subsidiary of the Swiss Gebrüder Sulzer Group, said there would be

little trouble finding alternative

work for at least two thirds of the 362 hourly paid workers

day was yesterday "inundated"

semi-skilled workers.

### Subsidence raises cost of insurance

Many householders who claim from their insurance companies because their bomes have been affected by subsidence will have to meet more of the repair costs

This is the result of changes heing made by the companies to the wording of their policies—the result of an enormous increase in subsidence claims caused by last summer's

The change, however, will not affect the thousands of householders who have aiready put in claims. Because of the contractual nature of insurance policies, the tougher subsidence clause cannot be inserted until existing policies come up for renewal.

Under the old wording, householders were in most case: liable to pay the first 3 per cent of the insured value of their homes and the insurance company met the rest of the re-But because this basis penalized those who were insured properly and benefited those who were underinsured, the companies are now to make householders pay the first 3 per cent of the rebuilding cost of

the house. Because the rebuilding cost of a house is often much higher than either the market value or the sum insured, the householder's 3 per cent will also be

insurance companies have seen subsidence claims soor in the past two years. In 1976 slone they estimate claims will total about £65m, each claim averaging about £3,000.

The first company to go shead with the change is the Sun Alliance, which has operated the new clause since January 1 on new policies and which will apply it to existing policies as they come up for renewal. All the other main companies are expected to follow suit.

Sun Alliance is altering the excess clause from 3 per cent

pared to release people as soon as they find jobs, is particularly

pleased at the demand for craft apprentices, of which there are 70. The 209 salaried staff

The company has a workload which will last four or five months; after that it will drop dramatically. Sulzer UK, which produces paper-making machinery and welded components for use in process

engineering, is closing because

of the continuing economic recession and lack of orders.

include draughtsmen.

### represent more than half of total receipts, and net foreign exchange earnings have varied between 20 and 28 per cent of gross output since 1960. \*A Study of Nationalized Industrial Heron goes like a bomb as it stalks Henlys

By Richard Allen Heron Motor Group lifted pre-tax profits 51 per cent in the six months to September 30 and business is still "going like a bomb" according to Mr Peter S.

Reynolds, chairman. The Heron Corporation's 75 per cent owned subsidiary which preached the £1m profits mark for the first rime last year lifted interim pre-tax profits from £537,000 to £813,000 on sales more than 28 per cent

abead at £51m. The interim dividend goes up from 2.17p gross to 2.38p. Last year's total was 4.4p.

Mr Reynolds reported that nearly all activities throughout the United Kingdom contributed to the increase. Particularly strong improvements were seen in both new and used car

New car sales amounted to something like £24m despite continuing difficulties in obtaining new vehicles from British Leviand and to a lesser extent Rolls-Royce. The group believes that it could easily have lifted this figure by a further £9m if the cars had been forthcoming.

The recently launched truck and van rental division 'continued strongly but truck sales were again disappointing, reflecting low industrial Heron still refuses to be

drawn on the question of its 26.7 per cent stake in rival motor group Healys. Heron from Brown Brothers Corporation last October for £1.84ma price of 67p a share compared with the market price then of

Later the same month Heron picked up 40,000 shares in the market, fuelling talk that a bid possibly involving the parent Heron Corporation was in the

However, Mr Reynolds said yesterday: "We regarded the shares as a first-class investment. We will continue to consider the situation and take action when and as we see fit." With Henlys' shares closing at 84p last night Heron is already showing a paper profit of over £450,000 on its purchase from Brown Brothers.

#### Richards bows out to Imp Knife's 30p

Efforts to persuade Imperial Knife to pay a price "better reflecting the true worth" of Richards of Sheffield were unsuccessful, Mr W. Muller, chairman of Richards, reports. His board was backed in its efforts by a number of major shareholders but it was all to no avail.

But two newly-agreed points swung the balance. They were an offer of 50p cash for each of Richards' 25,000 £1 nominal preference, and an amendment to the 30p ordinary offer. This allowed holders to keep the 0.65p net interim dividend that Richards is to declare. Still convinced that the group is worth more than 30p

share, the board was strongly influenced by its belief that Record Ridgway intended to accept the increased offer, and that Imperial Knife might in any event have gained enough shares to win. Imperial Knife's offer closes on February

### Status still has plenty of stamina

Looking more like its old self every year Hull based Status Discount, the paint and wallpaper discounter which plunged into losses in 1974 after an excursion into kitchens, carpets and furniture, foresees continued progress.

But the return to Status must mean that this progress will be more staid from now on. be more staid from now on. From 1974's losses of £33,000 the group moved swiftly to pretax profits of £367,000 in 1974-75. Unabashed, it then more than doubled them to £756,724 in the year to November 30 last. Sales climbed a fifth to £12.1m.

But the first six months saw the long profits leap. Then they strode from £95,000 to £315,000, leaving a respectable £442,000 for the second half year.

It looks, however, as if Status can at least think of regaining the heights of 1971-72 and the year after, when profits were \$227,000 and £1.3m. But the directors do not say as much. Five big stores opened last year and three more will do so this year. Extraordinary items were

smaller last year indicating that property provisions are indeed in the past. Earnings a share rose from 2.61p to 3.15p and a final dividend of 1.5p gross takes the total to the maximum of 2.5p.

Status went out of the dividend list in 1974 and 1975 and late last year lost its close company standing. But the Healey family one way and another is a key shareholder.

### K. L. K. selling estate

The board of Kuala Lumpur epong has executed a couditional agreement with multipurpose holdings to sell its 1,445 acre Kepong Estate for \$28.9m. This is to be paid in five yearly instalments, subject to the approval of the Estate Land Board and the appropriate authorities granting permission for the conversion of the property into a housing development. The agreement also needs shareholders' approval.

Panel's advice The Takeover Panel has

issued a statement advising companies involved in legalproceedings in takeover offers. It says that if the board of an offered company contem-plates such proceedings in relation to an offer or prospective offer, problems may in some cases arise under the Code.

"The board would therefore be
well advised in such a case to
consult the Panel before any action is taken ", it adds.

#### Deborah Services

Deborah Services, a specialist caffolding and insulation beborah Services, a specialist scaffolding and insulation group has had "another successful half year". Pre-tax profits rose 6 per cent to £340,000 and turnover climbed 7 per cent to £3.1m. Mr A. L. Britton, chairman, says that the policy of control of the college of the college of control of the college of the policy of concentrating on longterm maintenance contracts continues to pay off. The recent acquisition in Scotland is now contributing to profits. The group, whose shares are traded "over the counter" is raising its interim dividend from 1.52p gross to 3p.

Burroughs' £4m loss

The board has been told that the market for BCA shares is limited and there is "therefore no certainty that BCA shares will sell in the open market for 30p".

A cash alternative is considered essential from a group the size of BCA as a group the size of BCA as a group The slide in sterling was largely to blame for a net profit of £225,000 turning into a loss of £3.76m at Burroughs Machines in the year to November 30. Turnover rose the size of BCA as it would give those shareholders who from £71.8m to £84.7m. The

#### have been "locked in" for many years an offer of "known value in cash". The board's earlier rejection

statement said that another publicly-quoted company had asked for details of Nationwide. on that : could think about

#### Amey Life in UK expansion

NV Amey, one of the largest insurance groups in the Netherlands, has bought 20 per cent holding in Amer Life Assurance, its United Kingdom offshoot. It was formerly held by Bankers Trust International, apart from 5 per cent held elsewhere. BTI continues however as investment manager.

At the same time the capital of Amev Life has been increased by flm to fl.5m to finance expansion in Britain. It is also dropping the name Triad used to describe its managed bond, investment plan and money fund. The name Amev replaces it.

#### puter group—a subsidiary of the United States Burroughs R & J Pullman look for rise in year's figures Corporation, says that orders held up well.

On turnover up from £4.4m to £5.16m for the half-year to September 30 last, pre-tax profits of R. and J. Pullman reached £342,000, compared with 1304.000 last time. after interest of 5139,000 (580.000). Pullman's board reports that trade remains buoyant in ex-

£920,000 in the year to April 30, Amber Day Holdings managed a port markets and profits for the current period should show an 15 per cent rise to £555,000 in the six months to October 31. improvement on the second half Sales went up from £6.68m to 17.26m. The dividend goes up of last year, making an in from 0.92p gross to 1.01p and creased total for the year. This group covers the manufacturer, against 2.86p.

Mr R. Metzger, chairman, men's ladies' and children's Outer wear says that business in both the clothing retail and manufactur-

#### Local authorities

ing divisions is good. Orders are healthy and liquidity is strong. So the chairman confirms his earlier forecast of The coupon on this week's collection of local authority bonds has dropped ; to 13; per Camden, Grampian, Merton, Redbridge and Uttlesford with 11m each, followed by East-Jeigh, Kirklees and South Wight with 1750,000 spiece. In the half-year to September 30, the sales of F. Wrighton and Sons (Associated Com-

#### Euromarkets

#### Upheaval at Italian Int Bank subsides

The management upheaval at Italian International Bank, the London consortium bank, has now been rounded off with the appointment of Dr Renato Paolucci of the Banco di Napoli to the post of chairman of the Executive Committee. His appointment follows that of Mr Efraim Varesio as chief executive. Dr Paolucci's appointment has been made "in order to emphasize the firm commitment to the full support of the IIB of the ultimate four sharebolder banks."

The directors say that in the first six months to December 31, 1976, IfB continued to make profits on all its various activities. The recently reported shortfall of £4m on the security relating to certain loans has been guaranteed by Anciennes Institution de Credit Italiennes, the Luxembourg holding company owned by the four share-holder-banks.

OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM
Occidental Petroleum is arranging to float a \$30m 10-year Eurobond issue, bearing 8.75 per cent, through a syndicate led by Kidder Peabody International. The bonds will be offered by a subsidiary, Occidental Overseas Finance NV, and guaranteed by the parent. Subscription price and final terms are due January 26.

ENSO-GUTZEIT
Enso-Gutzeit Osakeyhtio is offering \$30m of notes due in 1984.
The notes will be guaranteed by the Republic of Finland whose outstanding United States dollar issues have recently been rated "AAA" by Standard & Poors and "AA" by Moody's The issue will be underwritten by a international banking syndicate, led by Credit Suisse White Weld.

ESSELTE AB

Esselte AB, the Swedish office
supply and publishing group, is to
float a \$20m seven year note issue bearing 8.5 per cent through a syndicate led by Hambros Bank and Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken. The notes provides a sinking fund starting February 15, 1980. It will reduce the average his of the potes outstanding to life of the notes outstanding to dir. 5.3 years. Final terms and issue price are due on January 25.

### **Prospering Trident** plans takeovers Powered by plenty of adver- other major television or

rising, the pre-tax profits of Trident Television, the independent programme contractor for the Yorkshire and Tyne-Tees areas, soared 131 per cent to a record £4.82m in the year to September 30. The chairman, Mr G. E. Ward Thomas forecasts a further improvement in the current year. The shares duly rose 3p to 34p.

Turnover rose 39 per cent to 547.17m. Net profits burgeoned from 5515,000 to £1.92m while earnings a share improved from 2.5p to 6.1p. The dividend rises from 3.24p gross to 3.57p. Pre-tax profits from tele-

vision contracting advanced from 52.02m to 53.68m, and the loss from television rental and sales fell from £996,000 to £568,000. Profits from other operations rose from £1.06m to

At the half-way stage, when pre-tax profits jumped 99 per cent to £2.23m Mr Ward Thomas said he expected the advance to be maintained in the second six months. Now, the directors say that advertising revenue through the two sub-sidiaries. Yorkshire Television and Tyne-Tees Television, has been buoyant.

Trident's growth in advertising revenue was greater than tive development" the average for the network, Finally, 1977 should be an and greater than that of any year of successful growth.

In the last quarter the pany's advertising re moved up to second among the ITV contri Trident's other United dom interests substai improved their profits. initial setting up losses Australian enterprise is

During the year T Films was formed to pr feature films for worl distribution: And its fire ductions, aimed at the Am market, are now in hand. Ou the programme sales-Trident Anglia sales has formed in collaboration the Anglia Television Gro

rationalize and strengthe:

oversens selling arranger for the two companies. further increase in televativernising revenue afte. Despite increasing costs expects a further improve both from television and Trident's other activitie home and overseas.

The group continues to tain strong cash resource "the time is appropriate us to utilize our funds further acquisition ", the man adds. He expects "a

### Encouraging first quarter for Bass Charrington

Reporting higher sales, Mr Bass's wine and spirit Derek Palmar, chairman of Bass by volume were well ahea-Charrington, also told the annual meeting that the board cent. The biggest borrowers are looked forward to 1977 "as yet December mini-Budget, and another year of progress and usual, the group will not s

development.". clear pattern of trade until
He added: "Contrary to the spring indicated decline in the total
Allowable costs copting to the spring to the sp beer market. our sales by rise and Bass is having to volume for the first three months of this trading yest— that is, up to Christmas 1976— were slightly ahead of those for the prayious year. This is now the prayious year. This is now the prayious year. the previous year. This is par-hold the price of its dra ticularly encouraging as the beer as long as possible, comparable period to Christmas board hopes this will be in the spring.

Mr Stanley Williams,

The chairman went on: "The former wine chief was rect indications are that we are convoted off the board, but a st indications are that we are con-tinuing to increase our share of the lager market and the take-home trade." voted the take ment was reached and parties agreed not to com-further.

last year, but were undoubt influenced by the expects of an increase in dury in

**Business appointments** 

#### New executive chairman Henderson Administration. Mr N. K. Kinkead-Weekes has Industries.

become executive chairmen of Henderson Administration. He succeeds Mr G. F. B. Grant who is retiring after 40 years with the ompany. ' Mr John Seymour Thompson Mr John Seymour Phompson has been made a director of Harrisons & Crosfield.
Mr J. Campbell Fraser is now chairman of Dunlop, the main Dunlop operating company, la succession to Sir Reay Geddes.
Sir Reay continues as chairman of Dunlop Holding, parent company.

Dunlop Holding, parent company of the Dunlop group, of which Mr Frager is managing director and Fraser is managing director and chief executive.

Mr L. W. H. Rea, managing director and chief executive of the Newall Group, has additionally beed elected deputy chairman.

Mr A. L. Hood is relinquishing the post of deputy chairman while remaining a non-executive director and financial adviser of V. Tilbury Contracting Group. Mr D. W. J. Savage (formerly managing directive)

Contracting ortotp. Mr D. W. J. Savage (formerly managing director) becomes deputy chairman with full time responsibility for overseas interests. Mr C. Brand (formerly assistant managing director) becomes managing director in charge of United Kingdom operations. tions.

Mr Kenneth John Cooper has been made managing director of H. Clarkson (SSR). Mr Michael Middleton and Mr Ceoffrey Holman have viso gone on to the hoard.

board.
Mr J. B. Horner has joined the board of Hartle Machinery Interactional. Mr H. M. F. McCall has become director of Thompson Graham

Mr Alan Wheeler Is now a non-executive director of Percy Lane Group. Mr Douald Overfield and Mr Graham Smith have been made directors of Percy Lane. Mr J. A. Bentham has gone on to the board of Doulton Glass

Mr A. E. Morris has resi from the board of Morris Blakey Wallpapers. He is, ever, remaining a director of of the principal su William Samuel Morris. Mr J. C. Camps has become director of R. K. Harrison & Mr G. H. C. Dart has been no chairman and Mr P. C. G. Shi managing director of R. K. rison, J. I. Jacobs (Insurance succession to Mr R. Thoresen has resigned as chairman joint managing director.

Mr T. W. Fireting in 1975.

joint managing director.

Mr T. W. Higgins is now diman of Lestie Langton Holdi in succession to Mr T. B. Langton to T. B. Langton to T. B. Langton to T. B. Langton to Mr R. S. Langton to Langton Underwriting After the succession to Mr T. W. Hig. Who continues as a director; J. W. Fraser has become maining director and Mr M. T. C. too., Mr I. B. Gavine and Mr Williamson have joined the board of Langton Investor Services. Services.

Mr 1. M. Wills has been at 8

Preston regional director at a land Bank, in succession to C. Parmley with its retiring 4 42 years with the bank.

Mr Gregory Wolcough has be made commercial director Simplen Interfine Trading.

Mr David Cutter is made grinancial controller of British B. Services. He succeeds Mr law Watson, who becomes it mance officer of British R. Services' parent, the Natio Freight Corporation.

Services' parent, the Natio
Freight Corporation.
Mr N. K. S. Wills has b
made deputy chairman of
Boulton & Paul Group.
Mr Ben Williams has been m
a director of P. I. Ryans (Sub

# M.Y.DART

Millspaugh men get jobs

Sporting goods, packaging, pyrotechnics The A.G.M. was held on 30th December 1976. Extracts from the 1975/76 Report and Accounts and Statement of the Chairman, Mr. Sidney Marks, OBE:-

\* Group turnover including share of associates increased to £10,617,000 (£8,743,000). \* Exports increased by 29°, to £3.4 million.

\* The profit for the full year after a depressed

first half almost equalled that of the previous record year at £1,175,000 (£1,220,000). \* Gross dividends totalled 23.1231 (1975 -

\* Net assets, after revaluation of Group prop-

At the meeting, the Chairman said that the half year

erties, advanced to £4,344,000.

just ending would show record sales. Plans to expand all divisions within the Group were receiving attention. Copies of the 1975/76 Report and Accounts are available from The Secretary, M. Y. Dart Limited, Moxon Street, Barnet, EN5 5TR.

### Briefly

SCOTTS RESTAURANT Scotts Restaurant has bought as an investment 164,951 ord in Brisan investment 164,751 out in Stisted Studium for £18,000 cash. This holding, together with the 180,000 ord bought in May last year, brings holding to 10.45 per cent. Scotts has no present intention of increasing holding.

MOOLOTA INVESTMENTS

Accounts as at June 30, 1976, not yet available, but they will be published within next month, board states.

L. B. HOLLIDAY Board reports that accounts for year to June 30, 1976, delayed by difficulty in completing accounts for two overseas subst. Board hopes to publish results about middle of February and accounts by February 25. SOUTHERN INDIA TEA Meghji Kanji and Co of Nairobi, the beneficial owner of 47,633 ord in Southern India Tea Estate (18.4

LEEDS & DISTRICT Leeds and District Dyers and Finishers' chairman told annual meeting that for first quarter of courtent year turnover up 40 percent. Profit countensurate with increase.

GLOBE AND ELECTRA

WILLIAM PICKLES

In the mine months to December 31 last, gross revenue of Globe investment Trust rose from 13.65m to £4.48m. Pre-tax income up from £2.98m to £3.78m. Electra investment Trust's gross revenue expanded from £2.55m to £3.07m and pre-tax from £2.14m to £2.64m.

William Pickles' sub, Harrow Pabrics (International) of Birm-ingham has bought A. C. Freeman and Son of Bournemouth for

LONDON & MANCHESTER London and Manchester Assur-ance has bought a further 6,000 deferred stares of British Indus-tries and General Trust, making its holding 747,500 deferred shares (18.13 per cent). BLANTYRE TEA HLDGS

Board reports that a record crop has helped to contain rising costs, so to expects "substan-tially increased profit" for year to September 30, 1976. ANSAFONE—BELL CANADA Northern Telecom (member of the Bell Canada Group) and Ansa-fone (an ATV company) have agreed for Northern Telecom to market Ansafone's new range of

compact telephone answering machines in Camda and United States. Northern Telecom has placed an immediate order for production in the United Kingdom and the company expects the agreement to generate " substantial additional business".

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London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—

London Metal Exchange.—Sixtes.

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The Export Credits Guarantee Department has guaranteed two loans totalling £8m which Williams and Glyn's Bank has made to Liberian buyers to help finance the purchase of two SD14 cargo vessels from Austin and Pickersgill of Sunderland. Delivery of the vessels is scheduled for spring, 1978.

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#### Foreign Exchange

The pound was yesterday in on foreign exchanges in further reflection of the much-improved trade figures for last month. But its progress was held in check by the Bank of England buying up dollars to boost the reserves, dealers said. \$1,710. while its effective devaluation narrowed another 0.1 percentage point to 42.9 per cent. Dealers estimated that between one and two hundred million dollars had been added to the United Kingdom reserves in the last 48 hours alone as the Bank of United kingnom reserves in the last 48 hours alone as the Bank of England appearently stood prepared to snap up currency for sterling, thus protecting Britain's export potential.

The dollar also gained ground from continental currencies.

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The Japanese yen advanced from 291.60 to 291.15 against the dollar.

Gold rose 75 cents an ounce to **Spot Position** 

of Sterling

Forward Levels

Gold

Discount market

Though there was again a substantial shortage of fresh credit in the discount market, it was clear yesterday that the quite phenomenal shortages larely seen had been relieved by the repayment of special deposits made on Mondey. The principal part of the assistance given by the Bank of England yesterday was again a loan, made at the minimum lending rate.

this was essentially for tech but this was essentially for technical reasons. The authorities
were still not giving any signals
on their views about Friday's
Treasury Bill tender and any
change in the level of MLR,
despite free speculation in City
markets that there will be a halfmint dress to 121 ner cent point drop to 131 per cent. The Bank lent a large sum to four or five houses at MLR for

repayment today. In addition, it bought a small quantity of local authority bills directly from the houses and a small amount of Treasury bills both from houses and banks. At the finish, it looked as though this belt was morthly as though this help was possibly rather less than the situation warranted.

Nevertheless, rates in the dis-count market finished in the 12 to 131 per cent band, having come from the 14 per cent area ad ruled during the morning. The major adverse factor had been the repayment to the Bank of very large seven-day borrowings taken by the houses the previous Tuesday and the exceptionally large overnight borrowings.

Money Market

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#### Wall Street

New York, Jan 18.—Prices on the New York stock markets again closed narrowly lower in moder-ately active trading, mirroring yesterday's performance.

The broader market fared botter than issues comprising the Dow Jones industrial average. The blue chip index closed down 4.82 at 962.43 Overall declines ontnumbered advances by about 840 to 630. Volume totalled 24,380,000 shares.

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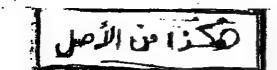
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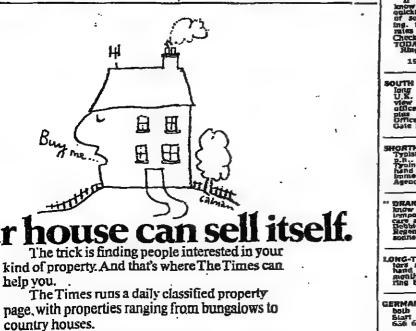
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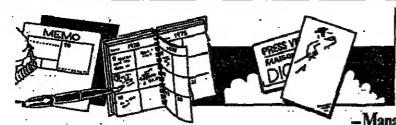
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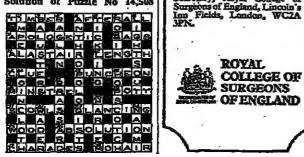
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